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Benton Twp. supervisor gets pay raise

Higher salary coincides with added responsibilities

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

YATES

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Benton Township Supervisor Cathy Yates is getting a substantial pay increase.

At Tuesday's board meeting, trustees approved a pay increase for the supervisor in light of the recent changes to the position.

With the recent decision to make the supervisor position full time to accommodate the elimination of the superintendent position, Yates is expected to see a salary of $59,000 per year.

This is compared to what former Supervisor Kevin White was paid on a part-time basis in 2019, which was just over $30,000 per year.

Yates was named supervisor on Dec. 2, 2019, by the board after White died in a tragic accident while working for the Michigan Department of Transportation along I-94.

"Supervisor White's part-time position was contingent on the township's employment of a full-time superintendent," Clerk Carolyn Phillips said Tuesday.

The move to increase Yates' salary comes after she won the primary election on Aug. 4 against two opponents.

The new salary becomes effective as of Aug. 5, since Yates is running unopposed in November's general election.

Township officials decided to not fill the vacancy left by former Superintendent Kelli Smith last year, and opted in favor of eliminating the position.

Finding Smith's replacement proved more arduous than township officials thought after the board experienced two deaths and a new supervisor in the span of four months.

Now, the responsibilities that once were held by the superintendent are being divided between Yates, Phillips, Treasurer Debbie Boothby and the township's comptroller.

The next board meeting is at 5:30 p.m. on Sept. 15. Township offices will be closed Monday in observance of Labor Day.

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GREAT SPOT

Don Campbell / HP staff

A couple enjoy a warm sunny day along Silver Beach and Lake Michigan in St. Joseph on Monday afternoon.

Waivers extended to allow flexibility in feeding students

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced Monday that it is extending waivers until Dec. 31 so school districts can continue to be flexible when feeding students who receive free or reduced lunches.

Last week, State Superintendent Michael Rice said that only some of the waivers had been extended, meaning that parents with children at different schools would have had to pick up the meals at each school rather than at a central location.

Some of the waivers were set to expire on Monday.

U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, who was at the press conference with Rice, said that Congress passed the Families First Coronavirus Response Act in March to give the USDA the flexibility to provide waivers to school districts so that children would get the food they need even if the schools are closed. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer closed K-12 schools mid-March due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Local school superintendents said that having the maximum amount of flexibility is important because they expect to have to close some or all of their buildings if there is a COVID-19 outbreak.

U.S. Rep. Fred Upton, R-St. Joseph, joined the fight to extend the waivers by sending a letter last week to U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue, asking that they be extended.

"This is a huge victory for southwest Michigan's students and for students across the United States. Without these waivers, there would have been students in need who would not have been able to access healthy and nutritious meals," Upton said in a news release. "Our students should be able to focus on their education without having to worry about where their next meal will come from. I want to thank the U.S.

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Welcome back, Baby Blue

Police track down stolen statue

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

South Haven Police Officer Kevin Wildey holds Baby Blue, one of two statues owned by Sherman Dairy Bar that have stood atop the business for years. Baby Blue, and her "mother," Blue Moo, were vandalized sometime between 12:30 a.m.-8: a.m. Monday morning, with the smaller statue taken from the premises. Police tracked down three suspects in Grand Rapids and late on Tuesday returned Baby Blue to Sherman's.

Photo provided / Sherman's Dairy Bar

SOUTH HAVEN — Sherman Dairy Bar Manager Marty O'Connor had little hope police would find the people who vandalized the popular eatery's two outdoor statues – Blue Moo and Baby Blue – sometime in the early morning hours of Monday.

But less than 12 hours after the vandalism and theft were reported to South Haven police, officers found the small blue and white Baby Blue statue and returned it to Sherman's.

"They did an amazing job," O'Connor said. "I know they're busy with many other things."

South Haven police had received a tip, according to O'Connor, about two young men from Grand Rapids and a third from Illinois who allegedly stole the small statue and damaged the larger one.

As of Tuesday afternoon the suspects had not yet been arrested, but an arrest was expected,

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Third virus vaccine reaches major hurdle: Final U.S. testing

By LAURAN NEERGAARD and CARLA K. JOHNSON
AP Medical Writers

A handful of the dozens of experimental COVID-19 vaccines in human testing have reached the last and biggest hurdle – looking for the needed proof that they really work as a U.S. advisory panel suggested Tuesday a way to ration the first limited doses once a vaccine wins approval.

AstraZeneca announced Monday its vaccine candidate has entered the final testing stage in the U.S. The Cambridge, England-based company said the study will involve up to 30,000 adults from various racial, ethnic and geographic groups.

Two other vaccine candidates began final testing this summer in tens of thousands of people in the U.S. One was created by the National Institutes of Health and manufactured by Moderna Inc., and the other developed by Pfizer Inc. and Germany's BioNTech.

"To have just one vaccine enter the final stage of trials eight months after discovering a virus would be a remarkable achievement; to have three at that point with more on the way is extraordinary," Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said in a statement.

NIH Director Francis Collins tweeted that his agency "is

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BABY BLUE

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with charges of larceny and malicious destruction of property expected from the Van Buren County Prosecutor's Office.

"We're still gathering some evidence," said Sgt. Patrick Carlotto of the city police department.

Although Baby Blue is back, she won't be reunited just yet with Blue Moo on top of Sherman's roof.

"She's pretty damaged. All four of her legs are broke off, her neck was broke and her tail damaged," O'Connor said. The damage to the statue's legs most likely occurred when the suspects tried to remove the calf, which was mounted by cement onto a concrete pad.

Blue Moo, which was found tipped over on the roof, also was damaged. She was missing an ear – which police located when they found the calf statue – and part of her udder.

The statue was also chained to the roof, something the O'Connor's think prevented the large statue from also being stolen.

"They (vandals) would probably gotten Blue Moo off the roof if it weren't chained down," said O'Connor's wife, Marilyn.

However, the damage to Blue Moo wasn't as extensive as the damage to the smaller statue. The statue can now be seen again standing on all four legs, perhaps waiting patiently.

"Little Blue is taking time off to recover and will rejoin her mamma in the spring," Marilyn O'Connor said.

Portland protesters target mayor amid tensions

By GILLIAN FLACCUS
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Black Lives Matter protesters in Portland, Oregon, shifted their focus to the city's mayor, and police declared a riot as people broke windows, vandalized a business and set a small fire inside the upscale apartment building where Mayor Ted Wheeler lives.

The demonstration that began late Monday and extended into Tuesday fell on Wheeler's 58th birthday and featured shiny golden alphabet balloons that protesters used to spell out an expletive.

They sang on the street outside the mayor's building, some wearing party hats, and the fire was set with a bundle of newspapers in a store housed on the ground floor of Wheeler's building. There were no reports of major damage or injuries.

Wheeler, who is also police commissioner, has come under fire for his failure to bring the violence in Oregon's largest city under control and for heading up a police force that has used tear gas multiple times against demonstrators.

Some also blame the mayor for engaging in a war of words with President Donald Trump instead of focusing on local needs. Trump has put Portland and other Democrat-led cities in the crosshairs of a "law and order" re-election campaign theme – a move that's escalated tensions in the city and drawn the attention of right-wing Trump supporters.

A supporter of the right-wing group Patriot Prayer was killed Saturday during clashes between dueling protesters. A caravan of Trump supporters, estimated at about 600 cars, encountered Black Lives Matter protesters as they drove through the downtown and skirmishes broke out.

Police have not announced an arrest in the slaying of Aaron J. Danielson, 39, of Portland, and have said nothing about what led up the shooting.

Police Chief Chuck Lovell denounced the vandalism and said it was an escalation of previous protester actions.

"The families that live inside have done absolutely nothing to provoke a threat to their lives. As I've stated repeatedly, the nightly violence is coming at increased cost," he said.

Lovell added: "This is impacting the safety of our entire City and urgent action is needed. Our elected officials need to do their part to draw a line in the sand and to hold people accountable. The violent behavior must end."

Wheeler's office said it would release a statement later Tuesday.

Protesters were angry Sunday when Wheeler held a news conference about the shooting and traded barbs with Trump, who was watching the conference live on TV and tweeted insults at Wheeler.

Many said afterward that they wanted to hear about solutions to the violence and how to keep the city's Black residents safe. They complained that the mayor instead engaged in "political theater" with the president to raise his own profile.

Paula Bronstein / AP

Portland police make arrests on the scene of the nightly protests at a Portland police precinct on Sunday in Portland, Ore. Oregon State Police will return to Portland to help local authorities after the fatal shooting of a man following clashes between President Donald Trump supporters and counter-protesters that led to an argument between the president and the city's mayor over who was to blame for the violence.

Wheeler, the son of a wealthy timber scion, is seeking a second term against Sarah Iannarone, a candidate to the left of him who has marched repeatedly with protesters.

Wheeler said at the news conference that he does not believe in completely defunding the police, would not resign and would not turn over the Portland Police Bureau to Jo Ann Hardesty, the city's first Black councilwoman.

"He used that press conference to try to score political points with a president we already know is a problem. He was asked point-blank what could have been done to prevent this, what could we do better in the future, and he did not have concrete strategies," said Cameron Whitten, founder of the Black Resilience Fund and a longtime activist in the city. "It truly was appalling."

The situation grew more uncertain Monday, when two suburban counties and a nearby city refused to send deputies and officers to help the Portland police keep the peace. The Oregon State Police and sheriff's deputies from Multnomah County – the county that includes Portland – are bolstering the city's force.

But officials in Clackamas and Washington counties and the city of Gresham said they would not send law enforcement personnel to Portland.

Clackamas County Sheriff Craig Roberts said flooding the city with more law enforcement would never work because Portland's newly elected district attorney has dismissed charges against hundreds of protesters arrested for nonviolent, low-level crimes.

Roberts and Washington County Sheriff Pat Garrett also said the liability for their deputies would be too great.

"The same offenders are arrested night after night, only to be released by the court and not charged with a crime by the DA's office. The next night they are back at it, endangering the lives of law enforcement and the community all over again," Roberts said.

Gov. Kate Brown, a Democrat, has so far declined to send the National Guard to Portland, as Trump has suggested.

LOTTERIES

Tuesday drawings

Michigan
Midday Daily 3
5-7-0
Midday Daily 4
5-9-7-4
Daily 3
0-0-0
Daily 4
3-4-7-6
Fantasy 5
01-08-20-28-32
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10-13-15-19-21-33-35-37-41-42-45-46-49-55-56-57-59-61-62-66-68-75
Mega Millions jackpot
$78 million
Powerball jackpot
$56 million

Monday drawings

Illinois
Lotto
11-17-21-31-39-51,
Extra Shot: 3
Estimated jackpot
$5 million
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
04-19-25-29-43
Estimated jackpot
$850,000
Pick Three-Midday
8-0-9, Fireball: 4
Pick Three-Evening
6-2-0, Fireball: 8
Pick Four-Midday
6-4-9-4, Fireball: 4
Pick Four-Evening
0-5-1-4, Fireball: 6
Lucky Day Lotto
20-27-39-40-45
Estimated jackpot
$900,000

Indiana
Cash 5
06-19-27-35-38
Estimated jackpot
$175,000
Cash4Life
12-16-20-34-40, Cash
Ball: 1
Quick Draw Midday
11-16-21-22-24-26-29-30-37-38-39-42-45-47-48-59-60-62-67-70, BE: 29
Daily Three-Midday
0-4-3, SB: 0
Daily Three-Evening
9-2-1, SB: 2
Daily Four-Midday
0-3-7-5, SB: 0
Daily Four-Evening
7-4-5-6, SB: 2
Quick Draw Evening
03-04-08-19-21-25-27-29-31-34-35-39-43-47-51-52-63-65-67-77, BE: 63
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VACCINES

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supporting several vaccine trials since more than one may be needed. We have all hands on deck."

AstraZeneca said development of the vaccine, known as AZD1222, is moving ahead globally with late-stage trials in the U.K., Brazil and South Africa. Further trials are planned in Japan and Russia. The potential vaccine was invented by the University of Oxford and an associated company, Vaccitech.

Meanwhile, a U.S. advisory panel released a draft plan Tuesday for how to ration the first doses of vaccine. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine proposed giving the first vaccine doses – initial supplies are expected to be limited to up to 15 million people – to high-risk health care workers and first responders.

Next, older residents of nursing homes and other crowded facilities and people of all ages with health conditions that put them at significant danger would be given priority. In following waves of vaccination, teachers, other school staff, workers in essential industries, and people living in homeless shelters, group homes, prisons and other facilities would get the shots.

Healthy children, young adults and everyone else would not get the first vaccinations, but would be able to get them once supplies increase.

The panel of experts described "a moral imperative" to lessen the heavy disease burden of COVID-19 on Blacks, Hispanics, Native Americans and Alaska Natives, and suggested state and local authorities could target vulnerable neighborhoods using data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The National Academies will solicit public comments on the plan through Friday.

There's a good reason so many COVID-19 vaccines are in development.

"The first vaccines that come out are probably not going to be the best vaccines," Dr. Nicole Lurie, who helped lead pandemic planning under the Obama administration, said at a University of Minnesota vaccine symposium.

There's no guarantee that any of the leading candidates will pan out – and the bar is higher than for COVID-19 treatments, because these vaccines will be given to healthy people. Final testing, experts stress, must be in large numbers of people to know if they're safe enough for mass vaccinations.

They're made in a wide variety of ways, each with pros and cons. One problem: Most of the leading candidates are being tested with two doses, which lengthens the time required to get an answer – and, if one works, to fully vaccinate people.

Another: They're all shots. Vaccine experts are closely watching development of some nasal-spray alternatives that just might begin the first step of human testing later this year – late to the race, but possibly advantageous against a virus that sneaks into the airways.

For now, here's a scorecard of vaccines that already have begun or are getting close to final-stage tests:

Genetic code vaccines

The Moderna and Pfizer candidates began Phase 3 testing in late July.

Neither uses the actual coronavirus. Instead, they're made with the genetic code for the aptly named "spike" protein that coats the surface of the coronavirus. Inject the vaccine containing that code, called mRNA, and the body's cells will make some harmless spike protein – just enough for the immune system to respond, priming it to react if it later encounters the real virus.

These mRNA vaccines are easier and faster to make than traditional vaccines, but it's a new and unproven technology.

Trojan horse vaccines

Britain's Oxford University and AstraZeneca are making what scientists call a "viral vector" vaccine but a good analogy is the Trojan horse. The shots are made with a harmless virus – a cold virus that normally infects chimpanzees – that carries the spike protein's genetic material into the body. Once again, the body produces some spike protein and primes the immune system, but it, too, is a fairly new technology.

Two possible competitors are made with different human cold viruses.

Shots made by Johnson & Johnson began initial human studies in late July. The company plans to begin Phase 3 testing in September in as many as 60,000 people in the U.S. and elsewhere.

China's government authorized emergency use of CanSino Biologics' adenovirus shots in the military ahead of any final testing.

'Killed' vaccines

Making vaccines by growing a disease-causing virus and then killing it is a tried-and-true approach – it's the way Jonas Salk's famed polio shots were made. China has three so-called "inactivated" vaccine candidates against COVID-19 made this way.

Sinovac has final studies of its candidate underway in Brazil and Indonesia. Competitor SinoPharm has announced plans for final testing in some other countries.

Safely brewing and then killing the virus takes longer than newer technologies. But inactivated vaccines give the body a sneak peek at the germ itself rather than just that single spike protein.

WAIVERS

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Department of Agriculture for stepping up and working with us and our community to care for all of our students."

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is extending nationwide waivers for the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) through the end of 2020, or until available funding runs out, according to a separate press release.

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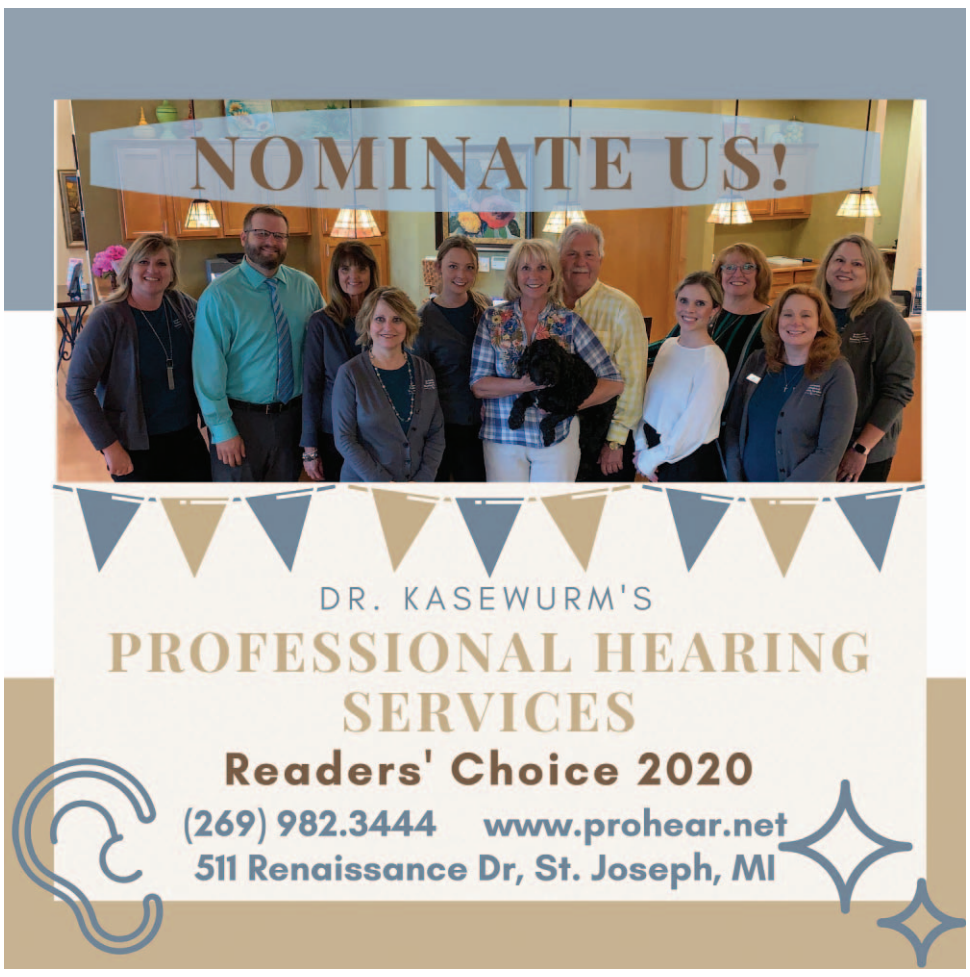

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Ogle promoted to lead PGA Championship team

Ogle was director for 2016, '18 Senior PGA events in BH

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

OGLE

BENTON HARBOR — Ryan Ogle is leaving as championship director of the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship at Harbor Shores, and headed for greener pastures.

On Monday, it was announced that Ogle was named the championship director of the PGA Championship from 2021 through 2024.

"I'm looking forward to joining the 2021 PGA Championship team in Charleston and can't wait to get involved with the local community," Ogle said in a news release. "I've heard so many great things about the area and I'm excited for my family to call the Lowcountry our new home. Scott Reid and the championship staff have done exceptional work to position next year's championship as a standout occasion for the PGA of America and I'm ready to use my experience in championship operations to take this highly anticipated event to the finish line."

The PGA Championship is one of four majors in men's professional golf, along with the Masters, the Open in Britain and the U.S. Open.

Ogle's predecessor, Scott Reid, announced his departure from the PGA of America in July in order to pursue an opportunity at a sports and lifestyle marketing agency.

"We are excited for Ryan to continue the positive momentum at Kiawah for what will be a memorable 2021 PGA Championship," David Charles, PGA of America senior director of championships, said in the release. "Ryan's experience and expertise are ideal fits for not only our PGA Championship team already in place, but for our partners at the Kiawah Island Golf Resort."

The 2021 PGA Championship will be held at The Ocean Course in Kiawah Island, S.C.

Ogle's time with the PGA of America began in 2012.

Ogle joined the organization in 2012 and worked in various capacities at the 2012 Ryder Cup, and at the 2014 and 2015 Senior PGA Championships. He became championship director for the Benton Harbor tournament in 2016.

As a Norman, Okla. native, Ogle graduated from Oklahoma State University where he studied business and sports management.

While Ogle's replacement for the Senior PGA Championship in Benton Harbor has not been announced, the tournament doesn't return for another two years.

The 2020 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic that led to most college and professional sports shutting down this spring.

The Senior PGA Championship will return to Harbor Shores in May 2022.

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STORM CLOUDS GATHER

Don Campbell / HP staff

A front moves in over Lake Michigan as families pack up after a day at Silver Beach, near the sculpture Turbulence by artist Denis Folz, on Tuesday afternoon in St. Joseph.

Planners take no action on provisioning center request

Lack of attorney at meeting scuttles planned public hearing

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor planning commissioners tabled holding a public hearing Tuesday on a special use permit for a medical marijuana provisioning center because they said they had questions for the city's attorney, who was not present.

NOBO Michigan is seeking the special use permit so it can renovate a building at 107 Water St. to be a medical marijuana dispensary.

City commissioners have already approved that a medical marijuana permit for a provisioning center be given to NOBO Michigan automatically on Dec. 3, but NOBO still needs a special use permit, along with having its site plan approved.

At their June 3 meeting, city commissioners approved amending the city's medical marijuana ordinance to allow two additional provisioning centers to open in the city after a six-month waiting period, bringing the city's total to six provisioning centers in December. The amendment states that the two provisioning center permits "shall be awarded from those previous applications reviewed and voted on by the City Commission and previously identified and selected as the two (2) alternates."

It also states that the two additional permits will be given "without further action from the city."

In March, city commissioners approved two alternates in addition to the permits for four medical marijuana provisioning centers. The alternates were NOBO and the Releaf Center.

During Tuesday's planning commission meeting, Chairman Lee Reed of the planning commission said he sent a list of questions to the city's attorney last week, but he hasn't received any answers. He said he has questions about medical marijuana versus recreational marijuana, and about what the planning commission's role is.

"We're being asked to get involved in a process that is laid out in the ordinance and nobody is following it," he said.

Planning Commissioner Eddie Marshall wants to know what they can do if the city is paying for attorney services but then isn't receiving them.

"If the attorney could not be present, isn't it common courtesy to notify us?" Marshall said.

Reed said the information from NOBO was incomplete because it was missing the application for a license.

But Vice Chairman Rich Hensel said they are only responsible for following the zoning ordinance.

"We're not looking at the adult use ordinance or the original medical marijuana facilities ordinance," he said.

Hensel said that based on the city's zoning ordinance, NOBO's application for a medical marijuana provisioning center is complete.

Building Official Chris Nearpass and Chief Code Compliance Officer Darlene Jones signed a document recommending the project on July 24.

The 18-page packet includes a site plan review from July 23 and an application for a special use permit dated Oct. 31, 2019. NOBO paid $750 in nonrefundable fees to have the documents processed by the city.

The packet also includes drawings from Brooks Architectural Inc. of Stevensville.

Mayor Marcus Muhammad, who is on the planning commission, said they should wait until the attorney is present to vote on the special use permit.

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Boys & Girls Clubs of BH to reopen buildings on Sept. 14

By HP STAFF

BENTON HARBOR — The Boys & Girls Clubs of Benton Harbor will reopen its doors starting Sept. 14 for the first time since closing them on March 16 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Fettig Youth Campus on Nate Wells Sr. Drive will be open to a limited number of members 1-7 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, according to a news release from the club.

The Joel E. Smilow Teen Center on Empire Avenue will be open 3-8 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

"The safety and protection of the children and teens we serve is our number one priority," said Chief Executive Officer Brian Saxton. "We are taking every available measure to keep our club members, staff, and volunteers protected from the COVID-19 virus."

He said that the clubs are working with local health officials to keep everyone safe.

Over the past six months, club staff worked remotely, focusing programming efforts on its Grab-N-Go meal program, the distribution of activity kits for kids and virtual programming.

Club programming staff began returning to club facilities on June 6 after Gov. Gretchen Whitmer lifted the stay at home order. They prepared for the return of members by rearranging program space, enhancing virtual content and simulating program delivery with social distancing requirements.

The club team is recruiting and registering members for its new program format. Parents will need to attend parent orientation sessions, scheduled by appointment only.

Parents can learn more at https://www.bgcbh.org/parent-information, and follow the club's Facebook page and parent reach-out group for regular updates.

Upon reopening, the following precautions will take place to ensure the health and safety of both members and staff:

- Curb-side pick up and drop off;
- Daily temperature checks and daily screening questions prior to entry;
- Masks for staff and members;
- Increased hand washing;
- Physical distancing measures for both members and staff;
- Additional sanitation efforts.

The Club is advising club members, families and staff to continue to take all precautions recommended by the CDC and local health authorities.

One injured in two-vehicle crash near Watervliet

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

WATERVLIET — Police are continuing to investigate a crash near Watervliet that they say left a Hartford man with non-life threatening but potentially paralyzing injuries.

Police did not release the man's name but said the 65-year-old was taken to Lakeland Hospital in Watervliet by Pride Care Ambulance and later flown to Bronson Hospital in Kalamazoo by helicopter.

Berrien County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Robert Boyce said the man had to be extricated from his 2005 Ford van by personnel from the Watervliet Fire Department.

Boyce said the crash between the van and a semi-tractor/trailer happened just before noon Monday at the intersection of Carmody Road and County Line Road in Watervliet Township.

Boyce said a preliminary investigation showed that the Hartford man was driving south on County Line Road when he failed to stop at the stop sign at Carmody Road and collided with a semi-tractor/trailer that was westbound on Carmody. The driver of the semi, 65, from Zeeland, was not injured, Boyce said.

Keeler Township first responders assisted at the scene by providing medical assistance to the injured man. Berrien County sheriff's deputies were also assisted at the seen by Watervliet police and Coloma Township police.

Boyce said Tuesday afternoon that the crash remains under investigation and was being reconstructed by the Berrien County Sheriff's Office Traffic Crash Reconstruction Team.

He said at this point police do not believe alcohol, drugs or speed were factors in the crash.

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IN BRIEF

SJ library to host series of 'pop-up' concerts

ST. JOSEPH — The Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra will offer special "pop-up" concerts in September featuring members of the orchestra, according to a news release.

These concerts will be held Thursdays at 4 p.m. all this month in the garden at the St. Joseph library.

The concerts will be free of charge, though SMSO does ask patrons to consider a tax-deductible contribution.

The event will be limited to 50 attendees, who are asked to bring a chair or blanket.

Knee injury sidelines BH's Johnson at Butler

Former Benton Harbor star basketball player Carlos Johnson will miss his freshman season at Butler University due to a knee injury.

Butler announced Monday that Johnson, the 2020 Michigan Mr. Basketball award winner, was scheduled to have surgery this week to repair a torn ACL in his left knee.

The injury was sustained in a workout last month, the school said in a statement.

Johnson, named The Herald-Palladium Senior Male Athlete of the Year in 2020, led the Tigers to a Class B state championship in 2018.

Benton Harbor was primed for a postseason run this winter, but the postseason was postponed and ultimately canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Another big COVID-19 recovery day Tuesday

Tuesday seems to be the day for a high number of COVID-19 recoveries in Berrien County.

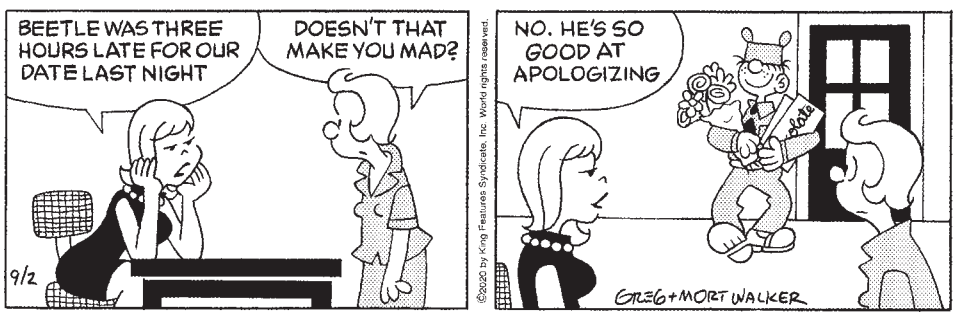
The county recorded 28 new recoveries Tuesday, and just eight new COVID-19 cases. Last Tuesday, the county recorded 29 recoveries and four cases.

With no new deaths recorded Tuesday, the number of active cases in the county dropped to 69. That's down from 89 on Monday and 96 last Tuesday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating seven COVID-19 patients Tuesday morning. That's down from eight on Monday and eight last Tuesday.

Van Buren County recorded eight new COVID-19 cases Tuesday and Cass County recorded five. Neither county recorded any new COVID-19 deaths.

BEETLE BAILEY


BEETLE WAS THREE HOURS LATE FOR OUR DATE LAST NIGHT
DOESN'T THAT MAKE YOU MAD?
NO. HE'S SO GOOD AT APOLOGIZING
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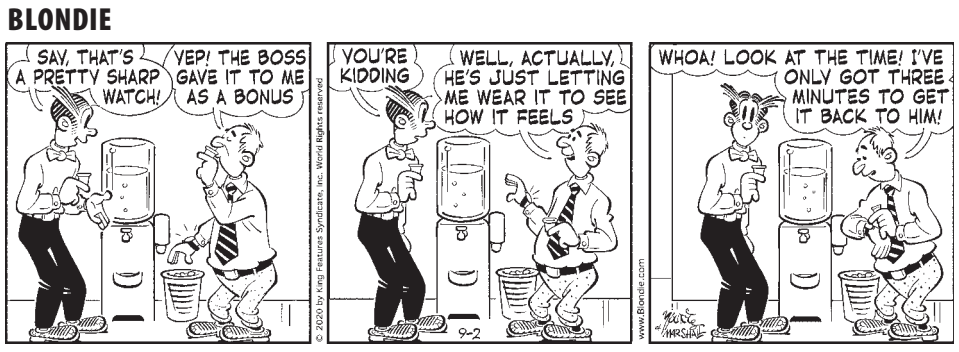
GREG+MORT WALKER

BLONDIE


SAY, THAT'S A PRETTY SHARP WATCH!
YEP! THE BOSS GAVE IT TO ME AS A BONUS
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YOU'RE KIDDING
WELL, ACTUALLY, HE'S JUST LETTING ME WEAR IT TO SEE HOW IT FEELS
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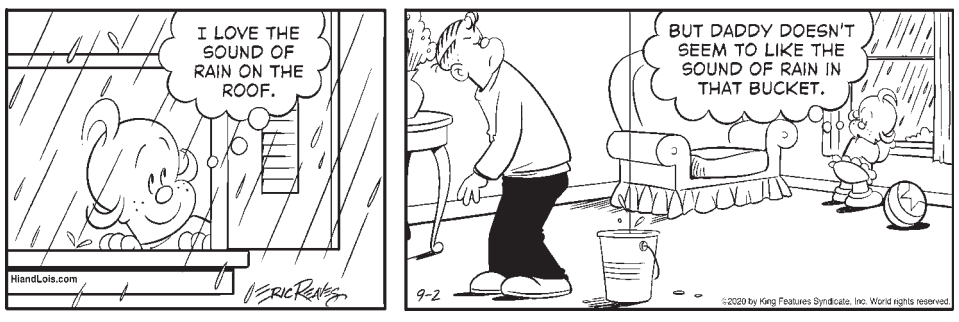
www.Blondie.com
WHOA! LOOK AT THE TIME! I'VE ONLY GOT THREE MINUTES TO GET IT BACK TO HIM!

HI & LOIS


I LOVE THE SOUND OF RAIN ON THE ROOF.
HiandLois.com
BUT DADDY DOESN'T SEEM TO LIKE THE SOUND OF RAIN IN THAT BUCKET.
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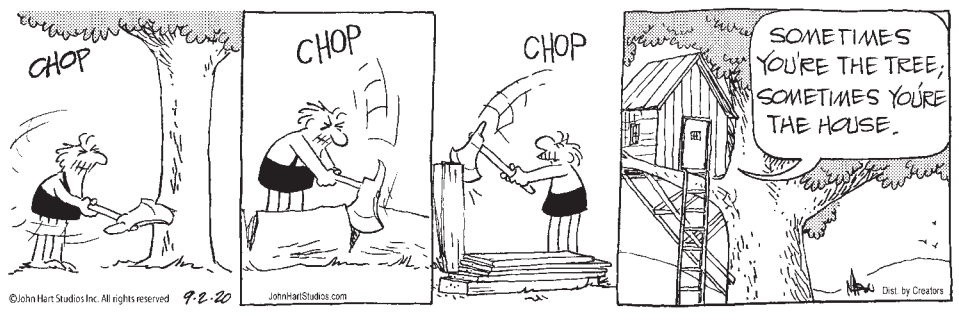

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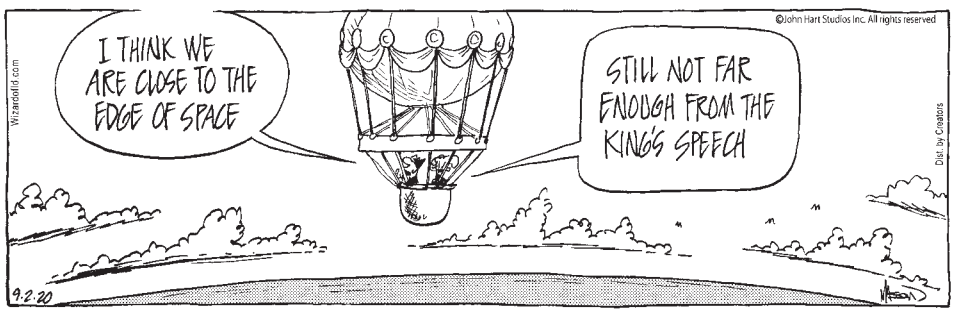
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I THINK WE ARE CLOSE TO THE EDGE OF SPACE
STILL NOT FAR ENOUGH FROM THE KING'S SPEECH
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DILBERT

I'VE NOTICED THAT THE MORE EXPERIENCE I GAIN, THE MORE CYNICAL AND JADED I BECOME.
DILBERT.COM @SCOTTADAMSSAYS
AM I DOOMED TO BECOME A GOLEM-LIKE CREATURE WITH A BAD ATTITUDE IF I WORK HERE LONG ENOUGH?
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NO OFFENSE.
NONE TAKEN.

GARFIELD

CATS ALWAYS LAND ON THEIR FEET, AND DOGS...
WELL, THEY USUALLY LAND ON THEIR HEADS
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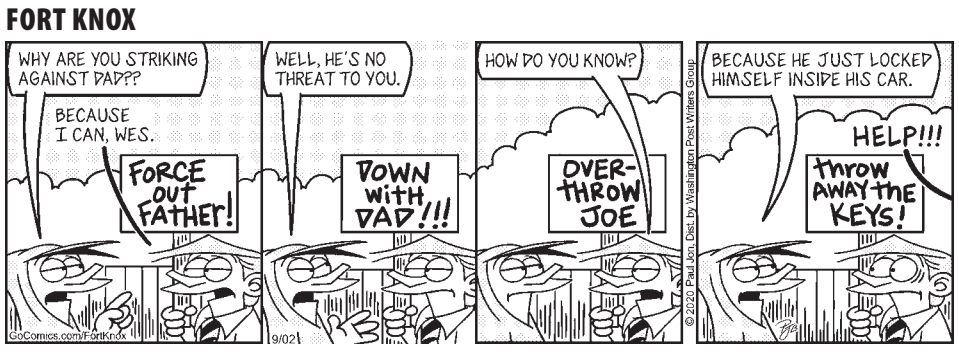
JIM DAVIS 9-2

FORT KNOX


WHY ARE YOU STRIKING AGAINST DAD??
BECAUSE I CAN, WES.
FORCE OUT FATHER!
WELL, HE'S NO THREAT TO YOU.
DOWN WITH DAD!!!
HOW DO YOU KNOW?
OVER-THROW JOE
BECAUSE HE JUST LOCKED HIMSELF INSIDE HIS CAR.
HELP!!!
THROW AWAY THE KEYS!
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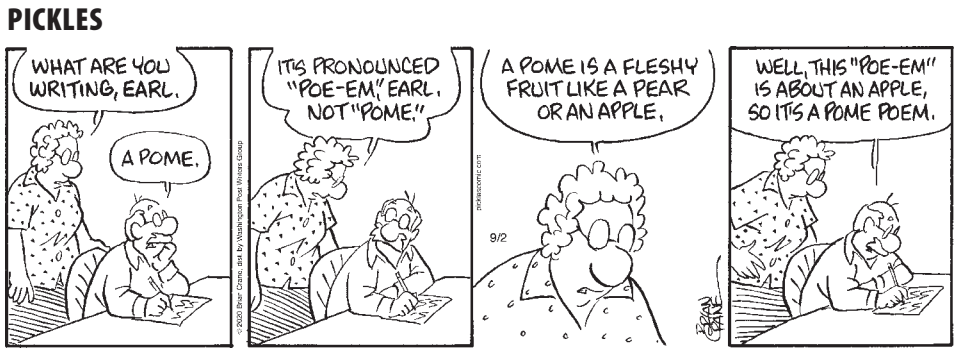
PICKLES


WHAT ARE YOU WRITING, EARL.
A POME.
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IT'S PRONOUNCED "POE-EM," EARL. NOT "POME."
A POME IS A FLESHY FRUIT LIKE A PEAR OR AN APPLE.
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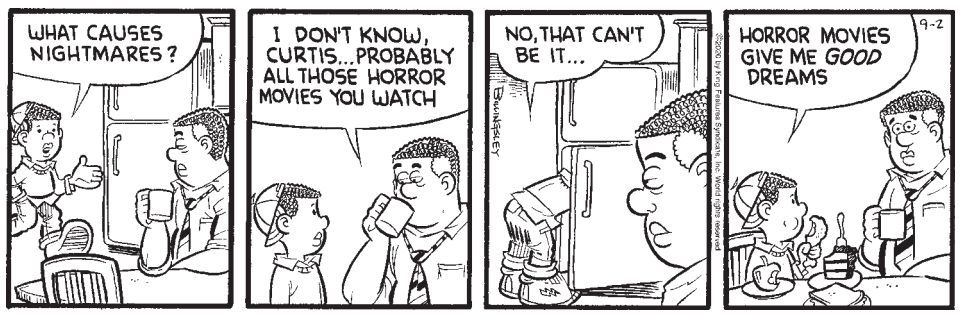
picklescomic.com
WELL, THIS "POE-EM" IS ABOUT AN APPLE, SO IT'S A POME POEM.

FAMILY CIRCUS

BABY BLUES

HI, MOM. HI, DAD.
HI, HONEY. HOW'S IT GOING?
babyblues.com
WELL, BESIDES THE USUAL STUFF, HAMMIE HAS A BIG CRUSH ON HIS TEACHER.
THAT'S SO CUTE!
IS IT?
MOM? IS THIS ENOUGH COLOGNE?

CURTIS


WHAT CAUSES NIGHTMARES?
I DON'T KNOW, CURTIS... PROBABLY ALL THOSE HORROR MOVIES YOU WATCH
NO, THAT CAN'T BE IT...
HORROR MOVIES GIVE ME GOOD DREAMS
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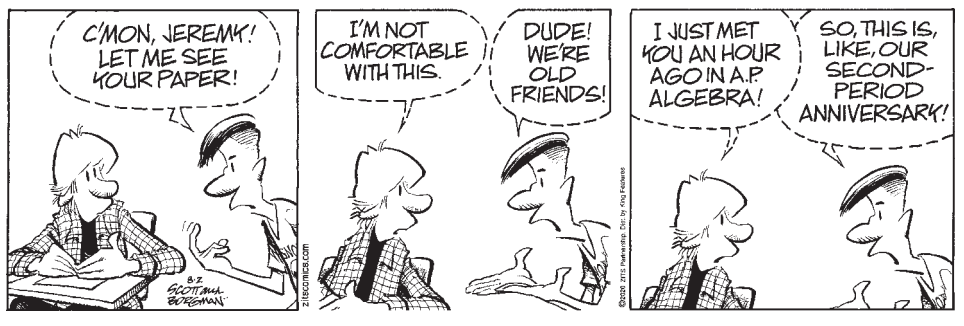
ZITS


C'MON, JEREMY! LET ME SEE YOUR PAPER!
I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THIS.
DUDE! WE'RE OLD FRIENDS!
I JUST MET YOU AN HOUR AGO IN A.P. ALGEBRA!
SO, THIS IS, LIKE, OUR SECOND-PERIOD ANNIVERSARY!
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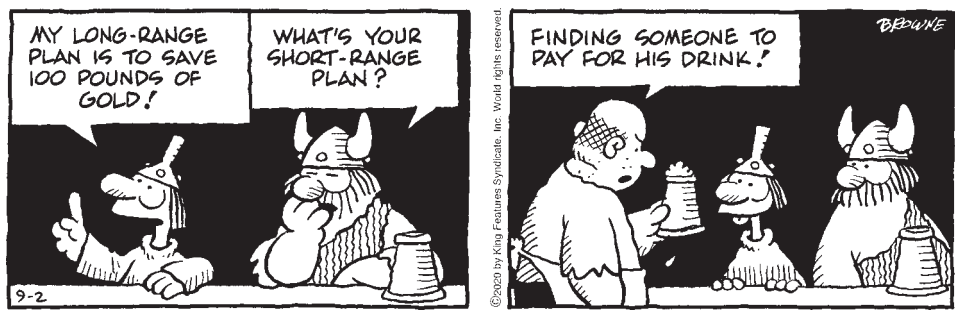
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


MY LONG-RANGE PLAN IS TO SAVE 100 POUNDS OF GOLD!
WHAT'S YOUR SHORT-RANGE PLAN?
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FINDING SOMEONE TO PAY FOR HIS DRINK!
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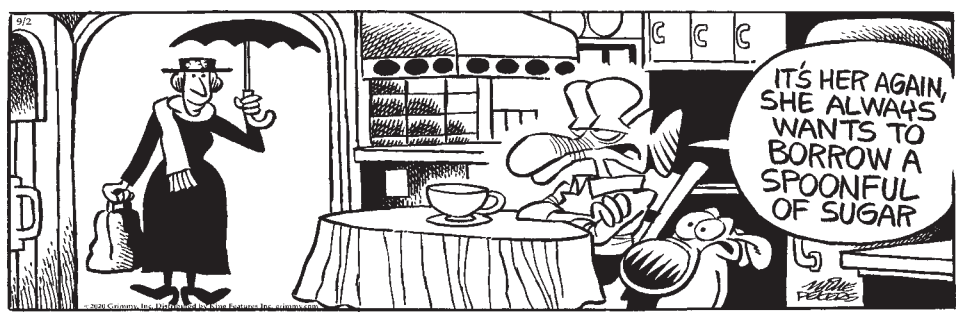
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IT'S HER AGAIN, SHE ALWAYS WANTS TO BORROW A SPOONFUL OF SUGAR
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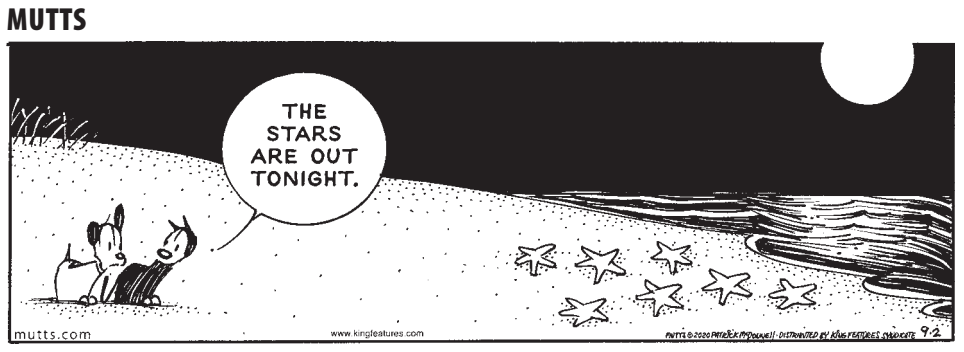

SALLY FORTH

SO HOW DO WE MAKE THE MOST OF THE LAST WEEK OF SUMMER?
BY EACH OF US DOING THE ONE THING WE REALLY WANTED TO DO ALL SUMMER BUT NEVER GOT AROUND TO!
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CAN IT BE ANYTHING?
ANYTHING AT ALL! JUST NAME IT!
I WANT TO CREATE A CLOAK OF INVISIBILITY I CAN WEAR AT THE OFFICE AND SOMETIMES AT THANKSGIVING DINNER WITH RELATIVES.
NAME ANYTHING ELSE!
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PRIME TIME TV

WEDNESDAY EVENING SEP. 2

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	The Goldbergs	black-ish	The Conners	Housewife	The Goldbergs	The Conners
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother (N) CC		Tough as Nails "Finish the Job" ((F)) The final five compete for the prize. (N)			
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	America's Got Talent "Results Show 4" (N)		:01 Ellen's Game of Games CC		Chicago Med "A Needle in the Heart"	
FOX 17 22 28 32	Modern Family	MasterChef "One Pan Wonder; Family Reunion" Creating a one-pan dish.				Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS 34	Outdoor Elements	Abba Forever -- A Celebration Swedish supergroup ABBA.			Celtic Woman, Best Of Celtic Woman celebrates 15 years.		
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	The 100 "The Stranger" CC		Coroner Jenny hosts Thanksgiving dinner.		News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Chicago P.D. CC		Dateline The murder of a coin collector.		Dateline "The House in the Woods" CC	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	The 100 "The Stranger" CC		Coroner Jenny hosts Thanksgiving dinner.		2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland "The Fix" CC (DVS)		Highway to Heaven "Heaven on Earth"		Nightly News	
WGN 9	MLS Soccer Chicago Fire FC at FC Cincinnati. From Nippert Stadium in Cincinnati. (N)				Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	:00 The First 48	The First 48 "Abandoned by the Bayou"		The First 48 "Bloodline" CC		First 48: Case-Haunts Me	
AMC	5:30 Con Air	★★ The Day After Tomorrow ('04, Action) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, Ian Holm. CC				G.I. Jane ('97)	
Animal	Lone Star	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed (N)				North Wo. Law	
BET	TBA	Payne	Payne	As. Living	As. Living	Payne	Payne
Big Ten	:00 Women's College Volleyball			Women's College Volleyball CC			
Bravo	Housewives	Real Housewives/ Beverly		Real Housewives/ Beverly		Race in America: A Movement	
Cartoon	We Bare	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	Rick	Rick
Cinemax	★ The Invisible	★★ 54 ('98, Drama) Ryan Phillippe. (P). CC			:35 ★★ Impostor ('01) Gary Sinise. (P). CC		
CMT	Last Man	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank CC		Shark Tank		Jay Leno's Garage	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk
Discovery	Expedition	Expedition Unknown (N) CC		Dodgeball Thunderdome (N) CC		Growing Belushi (N) CC	
Disney	Raven	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	Owl Hse.	Amphibia
DIY	Bargain	Restored CC		Restored (N) CC		Barnwood Builders	
E!	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley
ESPN	6:40 NBA Basketball			NBA Basketball			
ESPN2	:00 2020 U.S. Open Tennis Second Round. (N) (L)						
ESPNC	Football	College Football				College Football	
Food	Grocery	Guy's Games		Guy's Games		Guy's Games	
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	MLB Baseball Detroit Tigers at Milwaukee Brewers. (N) (L)						Tigers Lv.
Freefrm	6:00 ★★ Alice in Wonderland ('10)			★★★ Charlie and the Chocolate Factory ('05, Children's) Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore. CC			
FX	:00 ★★ The First Purge ('18) Y'lan Noel. (P). CC			★★ The Purge: Anarchy ('14, Action) Frank Grillo, Carmen Ejogo. CC			
Golf	Central	Payne Stewart		GOLF Films CC		GOLF Films CC	
Hallmark	Autumn Dreams	Marrying Mr. Darcy ('18, Romance) Cindy Busby, Ryan Paevey. CC				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
HBO	Lovecraft Country	Lovecraft Country "Holy Ghost" CC		★★ Godzilla: King of the Monsters ('19) Kyle Chandler, Vera Farmiga. CC			
History	Forged	Forged in Fire		Forged in Fire		:03 Forged in Fire	
HGTV	Property	Property Brothers		Vacation House		Hunters	Hunt Intl
Learning	My 600-	My 600-Lb. Life "Alicia's Story"				My 600-Lb. Life	
Lifetime	Married-Sight	Married at First Sight "You Can Get Out of This!" Five couples adjust to daily life. (N)				:03 Marrying Millions (N) CC	
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	Catfish	Catfish: The TV		Ghosted: Love Gone		Catfish: The TV	
NBCSCH	Pregame	MLB Baseball Chicago White Sox at Minnesota Twins. (N) CC					
NFL	:00 NFL Total Access (N) CC			NFL Total Access		NFL Total Access	
Nick	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Drugs,	Drugs, Inc.: The Fix		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix	
Oxygen	Dateline: Secrets	Dateline: Secrets Uncovered CC		Dateline: Secrets Uncovered CC		Dateline: Secrets Uncovered "Toxic"	
Parmt	Two Men	★★★ The Italian Job ('03) Mark Wahlberg. CC					Hancock
Showtime	6:25 Saved!	★★★ The Karate Kid ('84, Drama) Ralph Macchio, Noriyuki "Pat" Morita. CC				:10 ★★ The Karate Kid Part II	
Starz	:23 ★ Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance ('11, Action) CC			:01 ★★ Volcano ('97, Action) Tommy Lee Jones, Anne Heche. CC			
STZENC	Spider-Man ('02)	★★★ The Nutty Professor ('96) Eddie Murphy. CC			:39 ★★ Man of the House ('05) Tommy Lee Jones.		
SyFy	Transporter 3	WWE NXT CC				★★ Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey	
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal
TCM	Latin Lovers ('53)	★★★ Sweet Charity ('69) Shirley MacLaine. A New York dance-hall hostess searches for true love.					All That Jazz ('79)
TMC	At Eternity's Gate	Official Secrets ('19, Drama) Keira Knightley, Matt Smith, Matthew Goode. CC				Red Joan ('18) Judi Dench. CC	
TNT	Seven	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N) CC				Magnificent Seven	
Travel	Paranorm.	Paranormal Ca.		Paranormal Caught on Camera (N) CC			
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Everybody Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Walking Tall ('04)	NHL Hockey (N) (L) CC					
VH1	6:30 ★★ Bad Boys II ('03) Martin Lawrence.					New Jack City	
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC	

Sneezing after eating is a common occurrence

DEAR DOCTOR: Why do I sneeze after a meal? It doesn't matter what kind of food it is, and it doesn't have to be after a particularly big meal. Beverages don't seem to be an issue. What's going on?

DEAR READER: You've described a condition known as gustatory rhinitis. When something irritates the mucous membranes of the nose and causes them to become inflamed or swollen, it's known as rhinitis. It can result in nasal congestion that ranges from mild to severe, a runny nose, postnasal drip and sneezing. Rhinitis is divided into two categories: allergic and non-allergic. Gustatory rhinitis falls into the latter category. Although the symptoms are similar to those of an allergy such as hay fever, the condition doesn't involve the same type of immune response.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

We tend to think of sneezing as a reaction to inhaling an irritant that "tickles" the nose, such as pollen, dust, pet dander, perfumes, mold, pollutants or smoke. The purpose of the propulsive gust of air delivered by a sneeze is to clear away that irritant. However, sneezing has other triggers. Some people sneeze in response to cold air, fizzy drinks, pungent foods such as chili or peppermint, sexual activity, exercise, when plucking an eyebrow, or when emerging from dim light and then looking at the sun or other bright light. Interestingly, sneezing associated with bright light, known as photic sneeze reflex, occurs in 20 percent to 35 percent of the populace and has been linked to genetics. Individuals who have this response often sneeze the same number of times in each episode.

People who sneeze when their eyebrows are plucked are responding to stimulus to the trigeminal nerve, one of the 12 cranial nerves. It has three separate branches, which send sensations from the upper, middle and lower portions of the face to the brain. When the branch of the trigeminal nerve in the forehead is stimulated by tweezing, threading or waxing an eyebrow, the branch of the nerve in the nasal area is activated as well, which can result in a sneeze.

When it comes to the type of gustatory rhinitis you're experiencing, which some people refer to as "sneezures," the mechanism isn't fully understood. In some cases, post-meal sneezing arises as the result of spicy or pungent foods. Common triggers can include horseradish, peppercorns, hot peppers, pickled foods, wasabi and dark chocolate. Temperature can also play a role. For some people, a sip of hot soup can bring on a sneeze. Sneezing at the end of a meal also has been linked to the stomach becoming full and, thus, distended. There is evidence that this, too, has a genetic component. Gustatory rhinitis also becomes more common as people age.

Although not a health risk, sneezing after a meal can be an unpleasant distraction. It's a good idea to monitor what you're eating just to rule out a link to the contents of the meal. A pattern you hadn't noticed before may emerge. It's also possible that eating smaller meals, which don't distend the stomach as much, may also bring relief.

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Should she dump 'fair-weather friends'?

Carolyn Hax is away. The following first appeared May 26, 2006.

DEAR CAROLYN: Over the past year I was diagnosed and hospitalized for a serious and life-threatening illness. I have been struggling mightily since then with severe depression, survived a drug overdose, am in the process of getting divorced from my husband of many years, lost a cherished pet to illness, and have had to sell my house.

Carolyn Hax

In the process, I found out that my social network was seriously lacking in the true-friendship department. Of the "close" friends I told about my illness, not a single one remained in contact with me throughout my ordeal, and some were downright rude and insensitive.

All of them know not only about the hospitalization but also my pending divorce.

I am in the process of moving and trying to start fresh. I have no intention of sending these people my new contact details. Now some of them have begun to contact me – nearly a year after the fact – asking me how I'm doing and saying they're "concerned."

One of the worst offenders left a message on my voicemail at work today saying she's sorry she hasn't been in contact (since last fall), but that a lot has been going on and that she was procrastinating (!). She informed me she'd email me "soon."

My instinct is simply not to respond. I don't even feel I can trust them enough to tell them how painful it was to realize I had no one there to help me.

Do I have any obligation to formally cut things off with them? – Looking for More Than Fair-Weather Friends

DEAR LOOKING: After years and years of advising people to talk (and talk), it's refreshing to say: No. You have no obligation to respond, at least not to a voicemail so thoughtless and noncommittal.

If any of these friends proves to be remorseful and, maybe even more important, persistent, you might find it rewarding to respond; at worst you'll get the satisfaction of being heard, and at best you'll relaunch a good friendship. But short of that, please do give yourself the small satisfaction of washing your hands of them all.

DEAR CAROLYN: I am currently struggling with the if-we-get-married-I-come-first issue. I don't mean to say at the exclusion of his family, but right now I am very firmly not first, and it makes me hesitant to commit.

How do we get past this? – Detroit

DEAR DETROIT: "We" don't get past this, you do, by getting past the idea that waiting around for people to change (be it silently, articulately, needily or foot-stompingly) is the way to initiate change.

Marrying them doesn't work, either.

Ultimatums are another change-motivator you want to avoid. If threats are the only way to get the attention you want, you're not really getting the attention you want.

The internal ultimatum, on the other hand, is not only effective, it's also essential. Unless you're willing to leave – unless you can say to yourself, "or else," and mean it – you will never have the power to improve your circumstances.

So. State aloud what you (reasonably) need from someone to be happy; allow that person (reasonable) time to start providing it; and if your needs continue not to be met, then accept they never will be. Then decide whether you'll stay or go.

Email Carolyn Hax at tellme@washpost.com, follow her on Facebook at www.facebook.com/carolyn.hax or chat with her online at noon each Friday at www.washingtonpost.com.

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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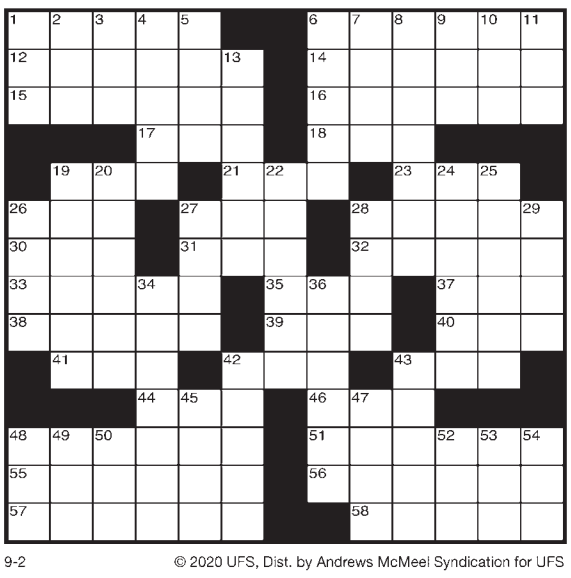

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

CUENL

RSOCS

NETYDR

LLAOEC

Any word on sticking around?
We have our room and tee times for two more days!
THE GOLFERS AT ST. ANDREWS DECIDED TO EXTEND THEIR TRIP SO THEY COULD ---

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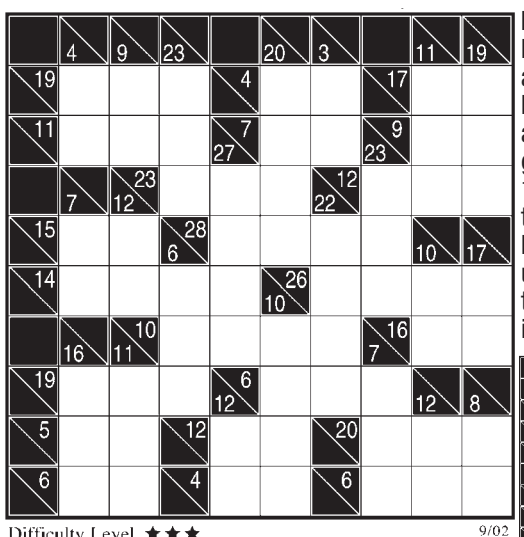
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

THE

(Answers tomorrow)

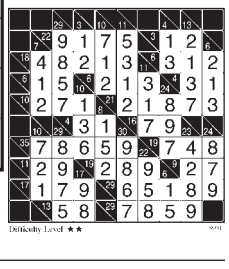
Yesterday's Jumbles: COMIC CHUNK SWAMPY DUPLEX
Answer: They were carefully selecting which berries to eat. It was fun to — PICK AND "CHEWS"

KAKURO



Difficulty Level ★★★ 9/02

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



Difficulty Level ★★ 9/02

BRIDGE

Ian Fleming claimed, "Once is happenstance. Twice is coincidence. Three times is enemy action."

Sometimes, what occurs at the bridge table feels like happenstance; but more often it is because someone knows something that other players do not. For example, look at today's South hand. He passes, West opens one club, North makes a takeout double, and East passes. What should South do?

With two four-card majors, it is normal to bid up the line; that is, one heart. But not this time!

Suppose South advances with one heart, West rebids two clubs, and two passes follow. South has sufficient values to contest the auction. But he has no comfortable call available. Go back to round one and advance with one spade. Then if West rebids two clubs, South can compete with two hearts, playing in a 4-4 fit at the two-level.

Note also by happenstance, the one-spade bid hits the jackpot. North will rebid four clubs, a splinter bid announcing (at least) four-card support, game-going values or more and a singleton (or void) in clubs. Since South showed 0-8 points with his initial bid, he has an absolute maximum. He should show enthusiasm by bidding four hearts. This will get them to six spades, which is cold. South draws trumps, runs the hearts and takes four spades, six hearts, one diamond and a diamond ruff in the South hand.

North 09-02-20
♠ A K 10 2
♥ A Q J 8 5 2
♦ A 8
♣ 3

West
♠ 8 4
♥ 3
♦ K 9 3
♣ A K Q 9 8 5 4

East
♠ J 9 7
♥ 9 7
♦ J 10 7 5 4 2
♣ 6 2

South
♠ Q 6 5 3
♥ K 10 6 4
♦ Q 6
♣ J 10 7

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
Pass	1♣	Dbl.	Pass
??			

Opening lead: ♣ A

Note, though, that six hearts has no chance.

In a duplicate, every South but one bid one heart. The player who bid one spade got only to four spades, but plus 680 was a cold top, beating all the 650s.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

		1		4	8			5
	3			1	9			
	4		7	3		8		
	9	3		5	7			8
	7			6			5	
8			3	9		7	4	
		4		8	3		2	
			4	2			9	
3			9	7		1		

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

2	7	5	1	6	3	4	8	9
8	6	4	9	7	5	1	2	3
3	9	1	4	8	2	6	5	7
6	3	9	7	4	8	2	1	5
7	1	2	6	5	9	8	3	4
5	4	8	3	2	1	9	7	6
1	2	7	5	9	6	3	4	8
4	8	6	2	3	7	5	9	1
9	5	3	8	1	4	7	6	2

Red Cross donors receive perks this month

By HP STAFF

During Childhood Cancer Awareness Month this month, American Red Cross is encouraging eligible donors to give blood or platelets to support kids, teens and young adults battling cancer, as well as others in need of transfusions.

As a thank you, Red Cross will be handing out Red Cross-branded socks, while supplies last, to those who donate Friday through Tuesday.

Red Cross also is partnering with Sport Clips this month. Those who give blood or platelets at a Red Cross drive this month will be emailed a coupon for a free haircut.

Donors are asked to make an appointment to donate using the American Red Cross Blood Donor app, by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/sport-clips, by calling 800-733-2767, or by enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Amazon Echo device.

Red Cross currently is testing donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to the coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms.

Donors can expect to receive the results of their test within 7 to 10 days through the Red Cross app or the donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org.

The test is not intended to diagnose illness. To protect staff and other donors, those who don't feel well, or who believe they may have COVID-19, should postpone donation.

Additional precautions – including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – are in place to help protect the health of all those at blood drives.

For more information on how to host a blood drive, visit RedCrossBlood.org/HostADrive.

Upcoming American Red Cross blood drives in Southwest Michigan include:

■ 11 a.m.-4:45 p.m. today, Hidden Pointe, 1062 Nickerson Road, Benton Harbor.

■ 11 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Thursday, Hidden Pointe, 1062 Nickerson Road, Benton Harbor.

■ Noon-4:45 p.m. Thursday, Bethel Baptist Church, 6701 Blue Star Highway, South Haven.

■ Noon-5:45 p.m. Tuesday, Simpson United Methodist Church, 507 Joy St., Bangor.

Versiti Blood Center of Michigan also has blood drives during the next week – all at its St. Joseph office at 2710 Cleveland Ave.

The drives are from noon-7 p.m. today, 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and noon-7 p.m. Sept. 9.

Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds.

To find more blood drives, visit RedCrossBlood.org or donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/zip.

BREAKFASTS AND BANQUETS

BURGERS: American Legion Post 518, 4789 Weechik Road, New Troy, will have a hamburger night from 5-8 p.m. today. Cost is $5 for a burger, fries and salad; or $6.50 for a burger, onion rings and salad. All orders are carryout. Order upon arrival, or call ahead at 426-3542.

Breakfasts and Banquets appears on Wednesdays. The deadline is the preceding Wednesday at noon. Civic groups sponsoring fundraising meals, classes or other food-related events should send information in writing to: Focus, The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, MI 49085; or email focus@TheHP.com.

Photos by Jane Ammeson / HP correspondent

Vedette Cordes, at left, and Virginia Palis sit with a basket of peppers grown on the Palis farm in Sodus.

Pepper season is upon us

Jane Ammeson

The peppers growing in rows at Palis Fruit Farm in Sodus range from pale yellow to deep purple. Their tastes range from sweet to extremely hot. And they hail from France, Spain, Mexico, Japan and the United States.

"This is a Doux D'Espagne," Vedette Cordes says, pulling back green leaves to show a pepper with shades of red, green and orange.

Cordes, who grows vegetables on the farm belonging to her parents, Virginia and Peter Palis, has done her homework. The peppers also are known as Spanish Mammoth because of where they originated and because of their size – they can reach 8 inches long and 5 inches in diameter.

It's just one of many peppers Cordes and her mother grow and sell at markets in St. Joseph and around Chicago.

In the family's large barn, Cordes shows me baskets filled with Pequins, tiny red peppers about 1/4-inch long and 1/8-inch wide, that pack a hot wallop.

Measured by Scoville heat units (SHU), a rating scale used to specify the spiciness of food, Pequins range from 40,000 to 60,000 SHU. In reality, that's only a medium range of heat.

Cordes also grows Carolina Reapers. With an SHU index of 1.4 million to 2.2 million, the pepper was awarded the Guinness World Record in 2013 as the hottest chili pepper in the world. It's even hotter than the Trinidad Scorpion, the previous record holder.

The beautiful, deep purple Buena Mulata, a rare heirloom pepper, packs 80,000 to 100,000 SHU. Cordes also grows habaneros (up to 550,000 SHUs) and the lovely, bright yellow Lemon Drops.

Though their SHU is only 22,500, about equal to the hottest serranos but a lot less than jalapenos, the citrus-tasting Lemon Drops from Chile pack a surprising punch.

"When you first bite into one, they're sweet, and then suddenly, they turn burning hot," says Cordes, who should know as she tasted one in the field with no water nearby.

Not all the peppers the mother-daughter team grows are hot. Sweet flavors also abound. Shishitos hail from East Asia and are also known as kkwarigochu, a Korean word for wrinkled, reflecting their texture. They are easy and quick to prepare and make a great appetizer.

Ron Goldy, a Michigan State University Extension senior educator at the Southwest Michigan Research and Extension Center in Benton Harbor, suggested Cordes also grow mini bell peppers.

"They're half the size of bell peppers," Goldy says about the yellow, red, orange and chocolate (really a deep purple) mini bells. "One of the problems with growing bell peppers, which ripen around the beginning of September, is they stay on the vine so long they get pests. But mini bells ripen early – in late July or early August – so they don't have that problem."

Also because of their colors, versus green, they're sweeter in taste.

Like other fruits and vegetables, Michigan peppers have a growing season, typically starting in early August and going into early October.

Goldy says he suggested growing the mini bells because Cordes is always willing to plant new types of produce. The idea is to see if they'll garner popularity, thus gaining a new market for Southwest Michigan produce.

"Like Piggott's Farm Market & Bakery in Benton Harbor, Vedette is willing to test market produce," he says.

The Fushimi pepper, a Japanese variety that looks like a cayenne pepper, is another fooler. Instead of being super-hot like Lemon Drops, it's very sweet, with a SHU rating of zero. Also known as Togarashi, Cordes says her husband, Kevin, the chef of the family, sautés them in olive oil with a little seasoning.

"That's all they need," she says.

Another way to cook up the peppers, is to grab a handful of different varieties (probably mostly sweet), mince some garlic, chop up half an onion, slice several Japanese eggplants and several tomatoes, and saute it all in olive oil at low heat until tender. Add seasoning to taste, and serve over pasta.

Though Cordes is always willing to experiment, the family farm is entrenched in Berrien County history.

It was founded by her maternal grandparents, Adelia and Anthony Vilutis, who emigrated from Lithuania in 1929.

Peppers grown at Palis Fruit Farm range from sweet to spicy.

Now owned by Virginia and Peter Palis, the old farmhouse is original to the property.

"My mom was born here," Cordes says. "Think about this, her bedroom today was her bedroom when she was a child."

Some of the produce they grow was first planted by her grandparents. It's this continuation of family history that led Cordes to give up a corporate job and return to her family.

Blistered Shishito Peppers

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
3 cups whole Shishito peppers
Sea salt

Heat the oil in a large cast-iron skillet, or other heavy skillet, over medium-high heat. Cook the peppers, turning occasionally, until they begin to blister on all sides.

Sprinkle with salt, and serve immediately.

Serve as is, or accompany with a dipping sauce, such as this homemade ranch dressing from Ree Drummond, a cookbook author, blogger and host of Food Network's "The Pioneer Woman."

Pioneer Woman's Ranch Dressing

1 clove garlic
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
1 cup real mayonnaise
1/2 cup sour cream
1/4 cup Italian flat-leaf parsley leaves, minced
2 tablespoons fresh dill, minced
1 tablespoon minced chives
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
1/2 teaspoon white vinegar
1/4 teaspoon paprika
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper
Dash hot sauce
1/4 to 1/2 cup buttermilk (add to get the desired consistency)

Mince the garlic, and then sprinkle on the salt and mash it into a paste with a fork.

In a bowl, combine the garlic paste, mayonnaise, sour cream, parsley, dill, chives, Worcestershire sauce, black pepper, vinegar, paprika, cayenne and hot sauce.

Add the buttermilk to desired consistency, and mix to combine, tasting frequently and adjusting seasonings as needed.

Chill for a couple of hours before serving, thinning with more buttermilk if needed.

If you're in a hurry, these sauces also are good accompaniments and are easy to make.

■ Greek yogurt or sour cream mixed with lemon juice and herbs or garlic.

■ Sour cream or mayonnaise mixed rice vinegar and a little hot sauce.

■ Creamy peanut sauce made with peanut butter, sesame oil, soy sauce and lime.

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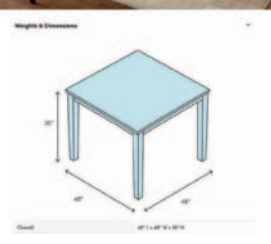

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Look over your options, and make a decision. Promote what you want to do with a little flair, and you will convince others to help you pursue your goals.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Sit tight, keep a watchful eye on what others are doing and steer clear of people putting unfair demands on you. Focus on keeping the peace and learning all you can to get ahead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Follow the path that beckons you, and you will sail through today with ease. Concentrate on creative endeavors and self-improvement to find satisfaction. Romance is on the rise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Stop and give yourself a chance to evaluate what's going on around you. Put your energy into physical fitness, self-improvement and clear thinking. The truth matters.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your finances will take an unexpected turn, but it doesn't have to be for the worse. You'll get a chance to breathe easily and improve your quality of life if you make a positive domestic change.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Hard work will pay off. Rely on lessons from your past to get ahead now. Do what's best for you, instead of doing what someone wants you to do. Don't shy away from opportunity.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Make changes that suit your needs. Helping others is fine, but make sure you get something in return. Love and romance look promising. Share your feelings and take action.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Take better care of yourself. Refuse to get involved in something that isn't to your advantage. Focus on self-preservation, moderation and personal gain.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It's up to you to take the wheel and make things happen. Delegate chores, responsibilities and jobs you cannot handle yourself. Be innovative and eager to try something new.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Think twice before you believe what you hear or pass it along. Expect someone to exaggerate or mislead you. Question what's possible before you sign up for something that might jeopardize your finances or friendships.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It's OK to toot your horn to ensure that people know what you are capable of doing. Take advantage of any situation that allows you to get ahead. Romance is favored.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Put your effort where it counts. Focus on taking care of unfinished business and physically taking action to reach your goal. Refuse to let anyone sidetrack you with grand yet empty schemes. Do your own thing.

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TO: Chester Fly, Jr., any "Unknown Alleged Father"
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent, whose whereabouts are unknown, and who is the parent(s) of
Talina and Selina Henderson (date of birth April 7, 2017), that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the Child to be in Need of Services, in accordance with Indiana Code 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.

THE ADJUDICATION HEARING at which Chester Fly, Jr., and any "Unknown Alleged Father" must appear is scheduled for October 29, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph County Probate Court, 1000 S. Michigan St., South Bend, IN 46601, (574)-235-5371. At said hearing, the court will consider the Petition and evidence thereon and will render its decision as to whether above named minor child is in need of services and shall enter adjudication accordingly.

UPON ENTRY OF SAID ADJUDICATION, A DISPOSITIONAL HEARING will be held in which the Court will consider: (1) Alternatives for the care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child(ren); (2) The necessity, nature, and extent of your participation in the program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the children; and, (3) Your financial responsibility for any services provided for the parent, guardian, or custodian of the children, including child support.

YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in the case in person or by attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, an adjudication on said petition and a dispositional decree may be entered against you without further notice.

THE ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES, are Sharon Albrecht, Holly DeNeve, Jessen Jesse, Ellen Meyers, Whitney Paulus, and Emily Steele, 300 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Ste. 230, South Bend, IN 46601, (574)-232-3042.

Date this day of August 17, 2020. Rita Glenn, Clerk of St. Joseph County

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Dems can't let far left hijack the party

Last week, a mob of white protesters swarmed a white woman eating dinner in the Adams Morgan neighborhood of Washington, D.C.

Jonah Goldberg

Video of the bullies demanding that patrons raise their fists in solidarity with the movement went viral.

Many pro-Trump and right-wing media personalities were quick to insist this verbal assault was emblematic of the entire Democratic Party and the broader "American left." Never mind that the victim, Lauren B. Victor, was a fellow progressive who told a Washington Post reporter, "I'm very much with them. I've been marching with them for weeks and weeks and weeks."

Among the funny things about this decidedly unfunny event is that it would have been almost impossible for this roving rhetorical goon squad to find the kind of victims they surely wanted. Adams Morgan is an especially liberal neighborhood in a very liberal city. Sure, there are some conservatives there – I lived in Adams Morgan for over a decade – but picking on random white people in Adams Morgan in the hope of finding MAGA types is like scouring Manhattan's Upper West Side for taxidermists. It's theoretically possible to find one, but you'll have your work cut out for you.

Regardless, Democrats would be well-advised to draw inspiration from Victor's refusal to be bullied by a mob, even one she sympathizes with, because she is surely more representative of voters than the mob accosting her was.

American liberalism's Achilles' heel has long been a reluctance, sometimes a flat-out inability, to criticize radicals to their left. In the 1960s, leading Democrats kowtowed to extremists out of what historian Fred Siegel called a "riot ideology," and it cost the party dearly.

There have been exceptions. Americans for Democratic Action arguably saved the Democratic Party from its leftmost wing led by the "useful idiot" Henry Wallace, FDR's former vice president. Bill Clinton broke the GOP's monopoly on the presidency by deliberately picking fights with the left in order to attract more moderate voters. Clinton's tactics were arguably more cynical than idealistic – he took time off from the campaign trail to oversee the execution of a severely brain-damaged Black man. But say what you will about his "triangulation," it worked.

American politics has become a contest between two competing caricatures of reality. The primary driver of this dynamic has been the media's – particularly cable news' – addiction to narrative journalism combined with the pernicious influence of social media. Twitter and Facebook make it all too easy to shine a spotlight on outlier events and present them as central to our lives. The focus on the ludicrous "autonomous zone" in Seattle earlier this summer let the right claim the whole city was like a "Mad Max" movie.

Similarly, the statistically rare (I'm sorry, but it's true) examples of outrageously bad behavior by some cops captured on video give many on the left permission to push a narrative of wholesale racial oppression by police.

Social media is like the wall on Plato's Cave. Selective facts cast shadows we mistake for reality. If you take all your cues about what's happening in America from partisan Twitter, as so many journalists do, you'd be a fool not to buy a gun and prepare for the coming apocalyptic helter-skelter.

The problem is intensified by the tendency of the hyper-politically engaged left and right to listen only to people in their own echo chamber and to mistake Twitter outrage for sentiment on the ground. So despite the fact that a majority of Black and Latino people want the same amount or more police in their communities, we spent weeks listening to "experts" claim that "abolish the police" is a reasonable, mainstream position. (Here's an illustrative heuristic: If you hear politicians or journalists using the label "Latinx" to describe Latinos, you're listening to someone in a bubble. According to recent Pew Research Center polling, only about 25 percent of Latinos know the term and only about 3 percent actually use it.

Joe Biden won the Democratic nomination largely because most of his competitors talked as if primary voters were indistinguishable from the very online left-wing activists and journalists who dominate MSNBC and CNN.

To his credit, Biden has unequivocally condemned rioting, vigilantism and street violence. But he took too much time to do it, not because he doesn't believe what he said, but because the campaign let the fringe define the center of the party. Condemning violence – by rioters and vigilantes alike – is a no-brainer; it's a pre-partisan patriotic requirement of political leadership.

Hesitation to do so is not merely shameful, it's political malpractice, because most voters expect it and even the appearance of reluctance feeds precisely the narrative that could cost Biden the election.

Jonah Goldberg is editor-in-chief of The Dispatch and the host of The Remnant podcast.

LETTERS

America needs a return to civility

Editor,

You can't miss it. We are in the middle of a presidential election. Come January, President Donald Trump will be re-inaugurated or Vice President Joe Biden will be sworn in. Yes, one side will win the White House in November. But if the country – and our community – is irreparably torn apart in the process, then we all will ultimately be losers.

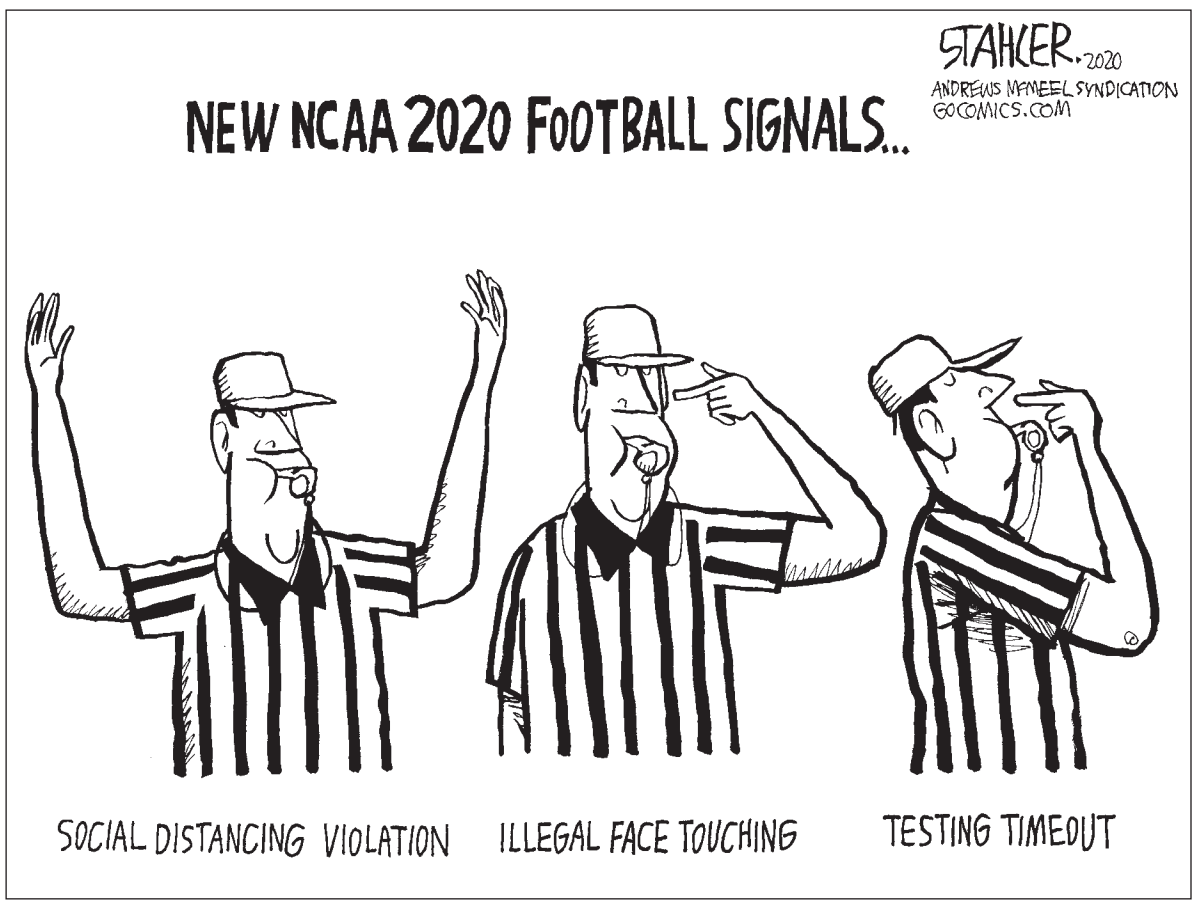
Why can't we be civil with each other? We're neighbors, not enemies. Whatever we believe, no matter who is elected, we will need to start talking to each other to resolve the major issues facing our country: from fiscal problems to immigration. The absence of civility prevents us from doing that. After November, there will be the need for healing on many levels once the election is over, and the challenges we face will only be solved by working together. Allowing ourselves to drift further apart will seriously threaten our grand democratic experiment.

We have seen relationships severed over politics. It is such a waste. We have so much more in common. Don't we all agree on our need for clean Great Lakes, good schools, protecting the most vulnerable? How can we do that if one side has to "lose" so the other can "win"?

There is an organization that is bringing Americans together over shared concern for the partisan divide in our country. It is FixUS, and we have started a Michigan chapter. We hope you'll consider looking at our Civility Pledge on our website FixUSnow.org. It is a simple yet powerful promise to approach each other as Michiganders and Americans.

The time is now. We mustn't wait until we are driven further apart. Talk to each other. Promise yourselves you'll be civil and listen. Perhaps you disagree, but we anticipate you might find more in common than not.

Ruth Kremer
St. Joseph
William Hurst
Baroda



20,000 lies under the flag

Editor,

With more than 20,000 lies under his belt since taking office, Donald Trump and Republicans are done with their convention.

Trump, the aspiring autocrat, has two months to spread his campaign of hate, fear and division: Democrats are going to raise your taxes, take your guns, take your Bible and kill babies. There will be rioting, looting, blood in the streets and cities will burn. If the last part of this sounds familiar, it's because along with peaceful protesting, this is what's happening now, and who is the president? Trump.

All he does is gaslight the problems, because he wants it to happen so he can blame others, and say he's the only one that can stop it. All the while the worst pandemic in 100 years is raging out of control because of Trump's complete incompetence. Thanks to Trump, the U.S. has the worst response to the pandemic in the world. Even in the face of nearly 200,000 deaths and almost 6 million infected, he continues to lie, as usual claiming victory in the face of defeat, placing blame on anyone but himself, including China, which he praised more than 37 times in March.

Before the pandemic, Trump claims to have built the greatest economy in history. Anyone who knows anything about economic recovery after a recession, like the Republicans and Bush put this country in, it takes 10 years or more to recover. When Trump took office the economy was on the rise, the unemployment was dropping to record lows, the stock market was on the rise, all since 2010.

A few words that I think describe Trump are: liar, fraud, phony, narcissist, egotistic, cheater, sociopath, traitor, adulterer. Here are some words that don't describe him: competent, sympathetic, gracious, empathetic, kind, and most of all religious. Trump will do or say anything to get elected. When is the last time anyone saw Trump going to church?

In his book, "The Art of the Comeback," Trump brags about sleeping with seemingly happily married women. He has more than 20 women that have accused him of sexual assault. He constantly bears false witness against anyone he considers an enemy. Trump is a convenience Christian. Trump even lies about COVID-19, with cures and treatments, no matter how many die or get infected, he gives himself an A. He only cares about one person, himself.

Tim Pullins
Stevensville

Trump is responsible for preventable deaths

Editor,

As of Aug. 28, more than 180,000 Americans have died from COVID-19. That is the largest number of deaths of any country in the world. The U.S. has 4 percent of the world's population, but 25 percent of the world's COVID-19 deaths.

Recent projections predict that by Dec. 1, the death toll from COVID-19 is likely to be in the range of 300,000 Americans.

The reason that the U.S. has the highest number of COVID-19 deaths in the world is that Donald Trump has failed to take the necessary steps to control the spread of this illness. He initially denied the seriousness of COVID-19, claiming that it would miraculously "disappear." Not only did the virus not disappear, it spread rapidly through many states in our country, causing an escalating number of illnesses and deaths.

Public health officials urged all Americans to stay home as much as possible, to socially distance from others, to wear masks when in contact with anyone outside of their families, and to regularly wash our hands. These measures succeeded in temporarily slowing down the spread of the virus. But then Donald Trump began to insist that states had to "open up," that social distancing and mask wearing were optional. In a very short period of time, infection and death rates began to climb once again.

Currently, Trump is insisting that students must return to school in person, regardless of the infection rate in their communities. Some schools and colleges have attempted to do that – predictably, many of them have seen a large spike in COVID-19 infections.

Donald Trump's failure to take the necessary steps to control the spread of COVID-19 has led to many thousands of preventable deaths and will lead to many thousands more in the months ahead.

Trump is an incompetent and dangerous president. For the safety of our nation, he must be voted out of office on Nov. 3.

Gretta Van Bree
Lincoln Township

Farms can be part of climate change solution

Editor,

The American government estimates that agriculture and forestry contribute 10.5 percent of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions that cause catastrophic changes to our climate. But what if that sector could reduce those emissions and pull existing carbon out of the atmosphere?

That's the aim of bipartisan legislation pending in Congress – the Growing Climate Solutions Act – that would assist farmers and foresters in accessing the lucrative but complicated carbon credits market.

By accessing those markets, food and lumber producers would get paid for using agricultural practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and store carbon in the soil and trees.

It's a win-win for farmers and the environment. The agricultural sector, currently a contributor to the climate problem, could instead be a part of the solution.

Kudos to U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., for co-sponsoring the bill with U.S. Sen. Mike Braun, R-Ind., who introduced the bill in the Senate. U.S. Rep. Abigail Davis Spanberger, D-Va., introduced the bill in the House, where eight of the 15 co-sponsors are Republican and seven are Democrats.

In addition to bipartisan support in Congress, the Growing Climate Solutions Act enjoys support from more than 50 corporations, farm groups and environmental organizations including the American Farm Bureau Federation, General Mills, McDonald's, the Environmental Defense Fund and Citizens' Climate Lobby.

The St. Joseph Chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby, of which I am a member, hopes Rep. Fred Upton will co-sponsor the Growing Climate Solutions Act. Proponents plan to push the bill through this year.

Here in Southwest Michigan, our vulnerable fruit crops bear the brunt of extreme and untimely temperature changes. Spring flooding and sporadic droughts adversely affect crop yields across the Midwest. This bill will help our farmers and foresters and will fight climate change. Sounds like a good deal to me.

Nan Lundeen
Eau Claire

ANOTHER OPINION

Fed's choice: Less inflation or more jobs?

Do you care more about higher prices at the grocery store or a steady job? Of course your answer will depend on your circumstances, but for the Federal Reserve it's a tradeoff that rests at the heart of a policy dilemma it faces constantly.

As the Fed debates how to serve its dual mandate of keeping prices stable and reaching full employment, officials are often faced with deciding whether to act against inflation by raising interest rates or allowing rates to remain lower to foster new job growth. As of late, it's sided with the latter policy, which is why interest rates have been at or near historic lows for years.

Now the Fed is officially shifting its approach to lean a little more toward keeping interest rates low even once the economy starts to grow again.

Or as Fed Chairman Jerome Powell put it last week, the Fed's policy framework "must adapt to meet the new challenges that arise." That adaptation is to shift from setting a constant inflation target of about 2 percent to keeping inflation at an average of 2 percent. The subtle shift in emphasis indicates the Fed may be more willing to tolerate a little higher inflation for a short period of time than it previously would.

In thinking through the underlying logic of where the Fed is now headed, we couldn't help but remember an argument Robert Kaplan, the president of the Dallas Federal Reserve Bank, made to us last year when the economy was strong and very different than it is now. At the time, he noted that the possible gains of allowing the employment market to run "a little hotter" could be that some Americans in at-risk groups make permanent employment gains they otherwise would miss out on. If you land a job and gain valuable skills, you're more likely to stay employed in the long run.

We agreed with Kaplan then, as our goal is to see a broad-based economic expansion help more Americans make durable economic gains. Our thought now is that as we are still in the midst of a pandemic-driven recession, it makes sense for the Fed to rethink economic models that might otherwise compel it to raise interest rates. Tightening the money supply when the country is at the front end of a recession increases the chances of a deeper, more painful downtown. But our concern about runaway inflation is never far from our minds. Inflation can prove to be devastating to middle-class Americans who can't really afford rising prices, and once inflation gets out of hand it's very hard to get it back under control.

So our thought is this: We're encouraged to see what the Fed is doing in the short run given that we're in a recession, but we'd caution against letting inflation fall too far out of view. Americans need jobs, but they need to be able to afford the necessities of life as well. If that's a hard balance for the Fed to strike, it's even harder for working families to do so.

– The Dallas Morning News

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Berrien County Youth Fair results

Horticulture

Participants: Niji Eisenhart, Baroda; Morgan Hein, Buchanan; Abigail King, Three Oaks; Lizzie King, Three Oaks; Drake Mann, Eau Clair; Abagail Moody, Buchanan; Bella Moody, Buchanan; Lillian Moore, Three Oaks; Matthew Moore, Three Oaks; Samantha Pankratz, Stevensville; Aden Wolf, Eau Claire; Serenity Wolf, Eau Claire.

Sheep

Showmanship

Senior Division, Champion, Trent George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Logan Kohler, Niles.

Intermediate Division, Champion, Drew George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Ryan Murphy, Niles.

Junior Division, Champion, Amelia Neff, Niles; Reserve Champion, Jenna Demski, Sodus.

Young Junior Division, Champion, Bryce Neff, Niles; Reserve Champion, Danica Britton, Niles.

Grand Champion, Showman, Trent George, Niles; Reserve Grand Champion, Showman, Drew George, Niles.

Breeding

Black Face Ewe, first place, Parker Lyden, Niles.

Black Face Ram, first place, Parker Lyden, Niles.

White Face Ewe, first place, Trent George, Niles; second place, Ryan Murphy, Niles.

White Face, Yearling, Ewe, first place, Drew George, Niles.

White Face, Ram, first place, Drew George, Niles; second place, Ryan Murphy, Niles.

Champion, Ewe, Lamb, Drew George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Ewe, Lamb, Trent George, Niles.

Champion, Ram, Drew George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Ram, Ryan Murphy, Niles

Market Ewes

Class 1: first place, Jadden Smith, Eau Claire; second place, Darrin Burgoyne, Buchanan; third place, Amara Smith, Eau Claire.

Class 2: first place, Ryan Murphy, Niles; second place, Amelia Neff, Niles; third place, Megan Demski, Sodus.

Class 3: first place, Drew George, Niles; second place, Emilee Demski, Sodus; third place, Jenna Demski, Sodus.

Champion, Market Ewe, Drew George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Market Ewe, Ryan Murphy, Niles.

Market Wethers

Class 1: first place, Audrey Terry, Niles; second place, Bryce Neff, Niles; third place, Ayshia Smith, Eau Claire.

Class 2: first place, Logan Kohler, Niles; second place, Lukas Dehart, Niles; third place, Danica Britton, Niles.

Class 3: first place, Trent George, Niles; second place, Logan Tharp, Niles

Champion, Wether, Trent George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Wether, Logan Tharp, Niles.

Overall, Champion, Market Lamb, Trent George, Niles; Overall, Reserve Champion, Market Lamb, Logan Tharp, Niles.

Beef

Carcass

Grand Champion, Josh Kaminski, Union Pier; Reserve, Grand Champion, Lillian Moore, Three Oaks; third place, Matthew Moore, Three Oaks; fourth place, Bob Zeilke, Coloma; fifth place, Jason Zeilke, Coloma; sixth place, James Kaminski, Union Pier, seventh place, Annette Donner, Three Oaks.

Rate of Gain, first place, Josh Kaminski, Union Pier; second place, Bob Zeilke, Coloma; third place, Annette Donner, Three Oaks; fourth place, Jason Zeilke, Coloma; fifth place, Matthew Moore, Three Oaks; sixth place, James Kaminski, Union Pier; seventh place, Lillian Moore, Three Oaks.

Showmanship

Senior Division, Champion, Katrena Klopfenstein, Galien; Reserve Champion, Dylan Crocker, Buchanan.

Intermediate Division, Champion, Drew George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Megan Brunke, Eau Claire.

Junior Division, Champion, Kylie Brunke, Eau Claire; Reserve Champion, Katelyn Dargus, Buchanan.

Young Junior Division, Champion, Brayden Holt, Buchanan.

5 Year Old Division, Champion, Henley Warda, Niles; Reserve Champion, Morgan Hein, Buchanan.

Grand Champion, Overall, Showman, Katrena Klopfenstein, Galien; Reserve Grand Champion, Overall Showman, Kylie Brunke, Eau Claire.

Breeding Females

Hereford Female, Champion, Emily Holt, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Brady Dombrowksi, Buchanan.

Angus Female, Champion, Drew George, Niles; Reserve Champion, Katelyn Dargus, Buchanan.

Simmental Female, Champion, Kylie Brunke, Eau Claire; Reserve Champion, Cora Weinberg, Buchanan.

Chianina Female, Champion, Sierra Anstey, Baroda.

AORB Female, Champion, Henley Warda, Niles; Reserve Champion, Coy Weinberg, Buchanan.

Commercial Heifer, Champion, Collin Pinkerton, Buchanan.

Grand Champion, Female, Kylie Brunke, Eau Claire; Reserve Grand Champion, Female, Drew George, Niles; third place, Overall, Female, Katelyn Dargus, Buchanan; fourth place, Overall Female, Henley Warda, Niles; fifth place, Overall, Female, Emily Holt, Buchanan.

Feeder Calves

British, Feeder Calf, Champion, Ella Totzke, Baroda; Reserve Champion, Adisyn Dombrowski, Buchanan.

AOB, Feeder Calf, Champion, Kylie Brunke, Eau Claire; Reserve Champion, Megan Brunke, Eau Claire.

Dairy Feeder, Calf, Champion, Tyler Klopfenstein, Galien.

Grand Champion, Feeder Calf, Kylie Brunke, Eau Claire; Reserve Grand Champion, Feeder Calf, Megan Brunke, Eau Claire.

Market Beef

Shorthorn, Champion, Cora Schau, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Katrena Klopfenstein, Galien.

Hereford, Champion, Wyatt Baker, Niles.

Angus, Champion, Adam Eger, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Kyle Kirk, Three Oaks.

Simmental, Champion, Erica Mitchell, Buchanan.

Chianina, Champion, Megan Brunke, Eau Claire.

Crossbred, Champion, Dylan Crocker, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Adyson Baker, Buchanan.

Dairy Steer. Champion, Tyler Klopfenstein, Galien; Reserve Champion, Lillian Moore, Three Oaks.

Market Heifer, Champion, Hailey Hauch, Galien.

Market Beef, Grand Champion, Megan Brunke, Eau Claire; Reserve Grand Champion, Market Beef, Dylan Crocker, Buchanan; third place, Overall, Market Beef, Cora Schau, Buchanan; fourth place, Overall, Market Beef, Katrena Klopfenstein, Galien; fifth place, Overall, Market Beef, Adam Eger, Buchanan.

Rate of Gain

Hereford, Champion, Wyatt Baker, Niles.

Shorthorn, Champion, Cora Schau, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Ella Totzke, Baroda.

Angus, Champion, Kyle Kirk, Three Oaks; Reserve Champion, Adam Eger, Buchanan.

Simmental, Champion, Erica Mitchell, Buchanan.

Crossbred, Champion, Adyson Baker, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Kyle Kirk, Three Oaks.

Dairy

Champion, Jericho Britton, Niles; Reserve Champion, Lillian Moore, Three Oaks.

Market Heifer, Champion, Hailey Hauch, Galien.

Grand Champion, Megan Brunke, Chianina, Eau Claire; Reserve Grand Champion, Kyle Kirk, Angus, Three Oaks.

Crafts

Participants: Maria Bugrim, St. Joseph; Niji Eisenhart, Baroda; Morgan Hein, Buchanan; Brody Hoover, Stevensville; Samuel Howell, Berrien Springs; Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; Molly-Kate Johnson, St. Joseph; Kara King, Berrien Springs; Kristina King, Berrien Springs; Melia King, Berrien Springs; Drake Mann, Eau Claire; Lillian Moore, Three Oaks; Matthew Moore, Three Oaks; Jessa Rydwelski, Buchanan; Karen Smith, Stevensville; Aden Wolf, Eau Claire; Serenity Wolf, Eau Claire.

Dogs

Participants

Obedience: Katelyn Garrison, Eau Claire; Catherine Madison, Baroda; Lucy Madison, Baroda; Mary Madison, Baroda; Rachel Madison, Baroda; Thomas Madison, Baroda; Ruthann Farrar, Benton Harbor; Alyssa Garrison, Eau Claire; Matthew Carpenter, Eau Claire.

Rally: Katelyn Garrison, Eau Claire; Catherine Madison, Baroda; Lucy Madison, Baroda; Mary Madison, Baroda; Rachel Madison, Baroda; Thomas Madison, Baroda; Alyssa Garrison, Eau Claire; Matthew Carpenter, Eau Claire.

Agility: Ruthann Farrar, Benton Harbor; Alyssa Garrison, Eau Claire; Katelyn Garrison, Eau Claire; Catherine Madison, Baroda; Lucy Madison, Baroda; Mary Madison, Baroda; Rachel Madison, Baroda; Thomas Madison, Baroda; Matthew Carpenter, Eau Claire.

Handling: Mary Madison, Baroda; Thomas Madison, Baroda; Ruthann Farrar, Benton Harbor; Katelyn Garrison, Eau Claire; Catherine Madison, Baroda; Lucy Madison, Baroda; Keziah Metz, Sodus; Noah Metz, Sodus; Matthew Carpenter, Eau Claire; Alyssa Garrison, Eau Claire; Rachel Madison, Baroda.

Goats

Pygmy – Showmanship

Junior Division, Champion, Leilani Britton, Niles.

Intermediate Division, Champion, Brianna Hoy, Watervliet; Reserve Champion, Jessica Fox, Buchanan.

Dairy – Showmanship

Senior Division, Champion, Sara Jackemeyer, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Olivia Elliott, Baroda.

Intermediate Division, Champion, Emma Kiggins, Niles; Reserve Champion, Kloe Kiggins, Niles.

Junior Division, Champion, Riley Gamso, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Carter Patterson, Berrien Springs.

Young Junior Division; Champion, Kennedy Hartley, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Nolan Patterson, Berrien Springs.

Boer – Showmanship

Intermediate Division, Champion, Emma Zeiger, Three Oaks; Reserve Champion, Madison Mullen, Galien.

Junior Division, Champion, Amelia Neff, Niles; Reserve Champion, Brayden Schwark, Galien.

Young Junior Division, Champion, Preston Baker, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Jase Baker, Buchanan.

Boer – Goats

Junior Division, Boer, Does, under 6 months: first place, Madison Hardt, Coloma; second place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; third place, Lily Mullen, Galien.

Junior Division, Boer, Does, 6 months to under 9 months: first place, Jessica Fox, Buchanan.

Junior Division, Boer, Does, 9 months to under 12 months: first place, Amelia Neff, Niles.

Champion, Junior Division, Boer, Doe, Amelia Neff, Niles; Reserve Champion, Junior Division, Boer, Doe, Madison Hardt, Coloma.

Junior Division, Boer, Does, 12 months to under 16 months: first place, Amelia Neff, Niles.

Junior Division, Boer, Does, 16 months to under 20 months: first place, Daniel Pearson, Eau Claire; second place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; third place, Madison Hardt, Coloma.

Champion, Boer, Yearling, Daniel Pearson, Eau Claire; Reserve Champion, Boer, Yearling, Amelia Neff, Niles.

Senior Division, Boer, Does, under 24 months: first place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; second place, Madison Hardt, Coloma.

Senior Division, Boer, Does, 24 months to under 36 months: first place, Adyson Baker, Buchanan.

Senior Division, Does, 36 months and over: first place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; second place, Madison Hardt, Coloma.

Champion, Senior Division, Boer Doe, Brayden Schwark, Galien; Reserve Champion, Senior Division, Boer, Doe, Adyson Baker, Buchanan.

Grand Champion Boer Doe, Amelia Neff, Niles; Reserve Grand Champion, Boer, Doe, Daniel Pearson, Eau Claire.

Dam and Daughter, first place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; second place, Madison Hardt, Coloma.

Best Herd, first place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; second place, Madison Hardt, Coloma.

Boer/Kiko

Market Goats

Class 1: first place, Adyson Baker, Buchanan; second place, Brayden Schwark, Galien; third place, Madison Mullen, Galien; fourth place, Zoe Downey, Stevensville.

Class 2: first place, Jase Baker, Buchanan; second place, Alyvia Baker, Buchanan; third place, Mackenzie Wetzel, Buchanan; fourth place, Madison Hardt, Coloma; fifth place, Matthew Britton, Niles; sixth place, Renee Wetzel, Buchanan.

Class 3: first place, Logan Tharp, Niles; second place, Cody Mullen, Galien; third place, Jessica Fox, Buchanan; fourth place, Daniel Pearson, Eau Claire, fifth place, Taylor Young, Niles.

Class 4: first place, Lilliani Santos, Niles; second place, Preston Baker, Buchanan; third place, Nathan Fox, Buchanan;

Champion, Boer/Kiko, Market Goat, Jase Baker, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Boer/Kiko Market Goat, Logan Tharp, Niles.

Dairy Goats

Does, under 2 in milk: first place, Riley Gamso, Buchanan.

Does, 2 years and under 3: first place, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; second place, Claire McKee, Niles; third place, Parker Lyden, Niles; fourth place, Roman Clapsaddle, Berrien Springs.

Does, 3 years and under 4: first place, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; second place, Carter Patterson, Berrien Springs.

Does, 4 years and under 5: first place, Taylor Young, Niles.

Does 5, years and over: first place, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; second place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; third place, Taylor Young, Niles; fourth place, Ayla Kenney, Niles.

Champion, Senior Division, Dairy Goat, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; Reserve Champion, Senior Division, Dairy Goat, Riley Gamso, Buchanan.

Best Udder: first place, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; second place, Riley Gamso, Buchanan; third place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; fourth place, Taylor Young, Niles.

Dairy Does, born 6/1 to 4/1: first place, Kennedy Hartley, Buchanan; second place, Claire McKee, Niles.

Dairy Does, born 2/16 to 3/31: first place, Kennedy Hartley, Buchanan; second place, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; third place, Riley Gamso, Buchanan; fourth place, Taylor Young, Niles; fifth place, Parker Lyden, Niles.

Dairy Does, born 1/1 to 2/15: first place, Parker Lyden, Niles; second place, Ayla Kenney, Niles.

Dairy Does, under 2: first place, Jeremy Tolsma, St. Joseph; second place, Taylor Young, Niles; third place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; fourth place, Claire McKee, Niles; fifth place, Riley Gamso, Buchanan; sixth place, Parker Lyden, Niles; seventh place, Nolan Patterson, Berrien Springs.

Champion, Junior Division, Dairy, Goat, Riley Gamso, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Junior Division, Dairy, Goat, Parker Lyden, Niles;

Grand Champion, Dairy, Goat, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; Reserve Grand Champion, Dairy, Goat, Riley Gamso, Buchanan.

Dam and Daughter: first place, Taylor Young, Niles; second place, Parker Lyden, Niles; third place, Olivia

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OBITUARIES

Death notices

Francisco Carretero, 56, of Decatur died Aug. 28, 2020. Bowerman Funeral Home, Eau Claire, 461-4241.

Wanda Fahey, 50, of Niles died Aug. 31, 2020. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Ronald 'Da Barber' Hathcock, 76, of Stevensville died, Aug. 31, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Funeral Home, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Erwin Schwarz, 78, of St. Joseph died Aug. 30, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Funeral Home, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Kenneth Strauss, 58, of Benton Harbor died Sept. 1, 2020. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181

Ronald Hathcock

Jan. 25, 1944 – Aug. 31, 2020

Ronald 'Da Barber' Hathcock, 76, of Stevensville passed away peacefully Monday, Aug. 31, 2020, at Woodland Terrace, Bridgman.

He was born Jan. 25, 1944, in Buchanan, to Lloyd and Helen (Crawford) Hathcock.

A graveside celebration of life will be held 2:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, at Lincoln Township Cemetery, Stevensville. Memorial contributions may be given to Caring Circle Hospice, www.spectrumhealthlakeland.org/caring-circle. Those wishing to leave an online condolence for the family may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Ronald 'Da Barber' was the proud owner and operator of Stevensville Barber Shop for over 40 years. He was a graduate of Berrien Springs High School, class of 1962.

Ron met and married Deatra Arter on April 24, 1965, in Eau Claire. Despite not being able to swim, he was an avid boater, and enjoyed fishing and hunting in the warmer months, and ice fishing in the winter. His favorite time was spent with his wife, traveling, camping and cruising.

Ron is survived by his nieces and nephews: Susan (David) Puckett, Cindy (Greg) Mahler, and Bruce (Pat) Arter; his grand-nieces and nephews: Eric Mahler, Brett Arter, Gretchen (Jason) Ensink, and Ali (Ben) Isbrecht; and his great-grand-nieces and nephews: Hudson and Ava Ensink, and Emory, Lexi, and Milo Isbrecht.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Deatra Hathcock; his son, Richard Owen Hathcock, and his sister, Mary Elaine Arent.

The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to Holly, Ron's caregiver; as well as the staff at Woodland Terrace for their care over the last three years.

Erwin Schwarz

April 21, 1942 – Aug. 30, 2020

Erwin Schwarz, 78, of St. Joseph passed away at his home on Sunday, Aug. 30, 2020. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Funeral Home – 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph.

Erwin was born April 21, 1942, in Warthegau, Poland to the late Ferdinand and Wilhelmine (Banik) Schwarz. He immigrated to America in the mid 1950s. On Aug. 22, 1964, in Benton Harbor, he married Lilli Rutsch.

Erwin retired after 38 years from Regal Finishing Inc. as plant supervisor. Erwin loved spending time with his family, especially the grandchildren during seasons of football, marching bands, and school holiday programs. He was a member of the Oakridge Community Church as well as being an elder. Hobbies included woodworking-cabinet making-house remodeling, and fishing. He will be greatly missed by family and many friends.

Erwin is survived by his wife, Lilli; his three daughters: Linda (Michael) Gifford, Kathleen (William) Goodwin and Jenny (John Kendrex) Vance; six grandchildren: Ryan and Brandyn Gifford, Kaeli, Kira and Kendra Juengling, and Evelynn Vance; and three sisters: Tabea Faatz, Meta (Klaus) Seltmann and Sigrid (Victor) Kietzer.

He is preceded in death by sisters and brothers: Natalia Schwarz, Landa DeBodt, Irmgard Schwarz, Linda Boehm, Rudolph Schwarz, Reinhold Schwarz, Herman Schwarz, Helmut Schwarz and Werner Schwarz.

A celebration of life service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 4, at the Oakridge Community Church in St. Joseph with Pastor Scott Reeve officiating. Burial will follow at Lincoln Township Cemetery in Stevensville. Visitation with the family precedes the service from 10-11 a.m. at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Oakridge Community Church. Friends wishing to leave the family a message of condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Danny E. Mitchell

Aug. 31, 2020 – May 22, 1931.

Danny E. Mitchell, 89, of Coloma passed away Aug. 31, 2020, at his home.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, at Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home in Coloma, with visitation beginning one hour prior. Memorial donations in Danny's memory may be made to Riverside Methodist Church where he was a member. Those wishing to leave a message or share a memory with the family online may do so at www.duffield pastrick.com.

Danny was born May 22, 1931, in Buchanan to Gerald and Ethel (Schrader) Mitchell.

Danny served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War era.

He worked at JC Penny for many years and also owned and operated Little Pigs BBQ in Benton Harbor. Danny retired from Coloma Schools as director of transportation after 21 years. He was a member of the Lions Club and enjoyed volunteering at Riverside Methodist Church for Swiss steak and spaghetti dinners. Danny enjoyed playing pinochle at the senior center, mowing lawns, he was a great cook, but most of all, he loved being at the lake and having family and friends over to entertain.

Danny is survived by his wife, Jacalyn, of 64 years; children: Cynthia (Ed) Maloney and James (Tina) Mitchell, both of Coloma; grandchildren: Jamos (Emily) Mitchell, Jeret (Jennifer) Mitchell, Javin (Stephanie) Mitchell, Justyc (Joseph) Newnum, Mallory (Dane) Rasmussen and Eddie (Annie) Maloney; great-grandchildren: Harper, Talvis, Abner, Evelyn, Clayburn, Jason, Nolan, Penelope, Isaac and one on the way; his brother, Kit Mitchell of Buchanan; and nephew, Dale Pfingst.

In additional to his parents, he was preceded in death by his two sisters and three brothers.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

A chance to stretch the legs and a hot cup of Joe can be a godsend to the weary traveler. For eight years that's what members of the New Buffalo, Bridgman and Lakeside United Methodist churches have been to those motoring past the New Buffalo Welcome Center off I-94. For each of the three summer holidays – Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day – some 50 church members have taken turns working three-hour shifts from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. serving up coffee, juice, cookies and conversation. The Operation C.A.R.E. Volunteers started Friday morning and won't close up until Monday night. The coffee is donated by Bill Knapp's Restaurant, the volunteers provide the rest.

1985 – 35 years ago

A Frisbee-throwing contest over Labor Day will be a two-day affair, according to South Haven Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tom Tamandl. There will be Frisbee games and contests for adults and children beginning at noon Saturday at the athletic fields next to South Haven High School, with games and contests for the more experienced resuming at 1 p.m. Sunday at the same location. The Frisbee events are among a number of activities the chamber has scheduled for the long weekend.

1970 – 50 years ago

Two Fairplain teenagers who are amateur astronomers took a series of pictures of the Aug. 16 partial eclipse of the moon. Sam Siriano, 16, and Doug Cook, 15, students at Benton Harbor High School, snapped the pictures with a 6-inch Newtonian reflector telescope, using a 35 mm reflex camera at 1/50 of a second, with the aperture wide open and taken with 18 mm focal length lens. The series of pictures was taken from 9:17 to 11:29 p.m. at 10 minute intervals. Doug and Sam said it was their first attempt to take pictures of an eclipse. The partial eclipse shadowed 41 percent of the moon, according to Sam. Both boys said astronomy was their hobby and that they have spent about three years studying in the field.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 2, the 246th day of 2020. There are 120 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Sept. 2, 1963, Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace prevented the integration of Tuskegee High School by encircling the building with state troopers.

On this date:

In 1901, Vice President Theodore Roosevelt offered the advice, "Speak softly and carry a big stick" in a speech at the Minnesota State Fair.

In 1969, in what some regard as the birth of the Internet, two connected computers at the University of California, Los Angeles, passed test data through a 15-foot cable. The first automatic teller machine (ATM) to utilize magnetic-striped cards was opened to the public at Chemical Bank in New York. (Called a "Docuteller," it was developed by Donald C. Wetzel.)

In 1993, the United States and Russia formally ended decades of competition in space by agreeing to a joint venture to build a space station.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Few Showers	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy
78°	64°	81° / 59°	75° / 60°	78° / 61°	79° / 58°

Local Outlook

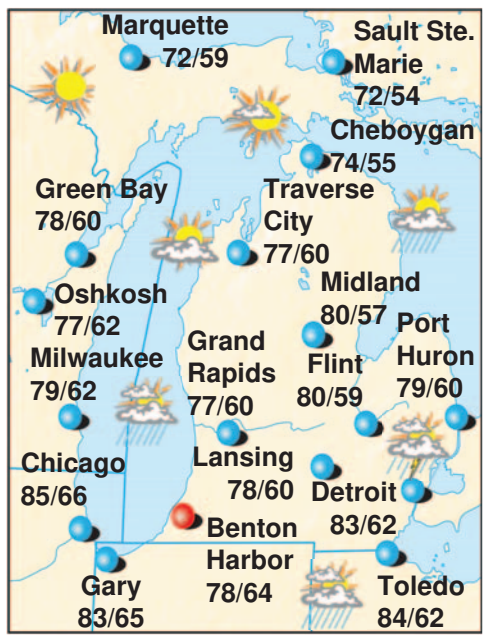
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 45% chance of showers, high temperature of 78°, humidity of 67%. West wind 6 to 11 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 64°. South southwest wind 2 to 6 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	7:12 a.m.
Sunset	8:16 p.m.
Moonrise	8:58 p.m.
Moonset	7:22 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
9/2	9/10	9/17	9/23

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	79°
Low	67°
Normal High	79°
Normal Low	58°
Record High	95° in 2011
Record Low	46° in 2009

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.05"
Month to date	0.05"
Normal for month	0.15"
Year to date	25.87"
Normal Year to date	25.69"

Air Quality

Yesterday 55

Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

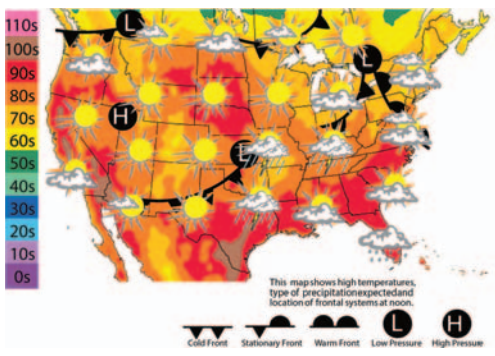
Weather Trivia

What was the costliest hailstorm in the United States?

Answer: In July 1990, Denver had damages totaling $625 million.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Sept. 2, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, W wind around 12 kt. A chance of showers. Waves 2 to 3 ft. Water temperature 75 degrees. Tonight, SSW wind 5 to 7 kt. Partly cloudy. Waves around 1 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly sunny to partly cloudy with isolated showers, highs in the 70s. Southwest wind 6 to 15 mph. Expect partly cloudy to mostly cloudy skies Thursday with widespread showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 60s and 70s.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 70s and 80s. West wind 6 to 11 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Thursday with highs in the 80s. Southwest wind 6 to 16 mph.

Michigan department publishes dam failure report

By ANNA LIZ NICHOLS
Associated Press

LANSING — What caused the dam failures in Midland that destroyed 150 homes and altered the natural landscape will likely not become completely clear for more than a year, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) said in a report released on Tuesday.

The report provides an update on the ongoing investigation into the Edenville Dam, plans to restore the Tobacco River's flow and the lack of coordination with the dams' owner Boyce Hydro.

There is an independent investigation underway to determine what caused the Edenville and Sanford Dams to fail in May. But while awaiting the conclusion of the investigation, EGLE provided the first of a series of reports requested by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer that will provide information about how the dam failures came to be and reviewing dam safety policies in Michigan.

The report doesn't address any parties at fault for the dam failures, but addresses what EGLE will do next to address the safety concerns left by the Edenville dam.

After struggling to coordinate with Boyce, EGLE plans to issue an emergency order to restore partial flow to the Tobacco River side of the Edenville dam. EGLE is partnering with AECOM, an engineering firm, to determine what water flow can safely re-enter the Tobacco River and alleviate strain on the M-30 bridges that collapsed with the flooding.

EGLE took over the role of assessing the remaining portion of the Edenville dam after the state said Boyce failed to comply with a federal court order to perform an engineering inspection. An attorney representing Boyce said the state is creating a false narrative and the reports Boyce submitted fulfilled the court-ordered requirements.

FAIR

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Elliott, Baroda; fourth place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; fifth place, Ayla Kenney, Niles.

Best Herd: first place, Riley Gamso, Buchanan; second place, Olivia Elliott, Baroda; third place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; fourth place, Parker Lyden, Niles.

Dairy, Market, Goats, first place, Emma Kiggins, Niles; second place, Kayla Kiggins, Niles; third place, Zachary Young, Niles; fourth place, Hannah Kiggins, Niles.

Pet Wethers, 6/1 to under 6 months: first place, Parker Lyden, Niles; second place, Parker Lyden, Niles; third place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; fourth place, Jeremy Tolsma, St. Joseph; fifth place, Miryssa Nelson, Coloma.

Pet Wethers, 12 months to under 24 months: first place, Jessica Fox, Buchanan.

Pet Wethers, 2 years to under 3 years: first place, Emma Zeiger, Three Oaks; second place, Adyson Baker, Buchanan; third place, Brianna Hoy, Watervliet.

Pet Wethers, 3 years and up: first place, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan; second place, Brianna Hoy, Watervliet.

Champion, Pet Wether, Parker Lyden, Niles; Reserve Champion, Pet Wether, Sarah Jackemeyer, Buchanan

Pygmy Goats, Junior Division, 6/1 to under 6 months; first place, Leilani Britton, Niles.

Champion. Junior Division, Pygmy, Leilani Britton, Niles.

Does, 2 years and under 3: first place, Jessica Fox, Buchanan; second place, Leilani Britton, Niles.

Does, 5 years and over: first place, Brianna Hoy, Watervliet; second place, Kayla Hoy, Watervliet.

Champion, Senior Division, Pygmy, Jessica Fox, Buchanan; Reserve Champion, Senior Division. Pygmy, Brianna Hoy, Watervliet.

Grand Champion, Pygmy, Jessica Fox, Buchanan; Reserve Grand Champion, Pygmy, Brianna Hoy, Watervliet.

Pygmy Wethers, 6/1 to under 6 months; first place, Jessica Fox, Buchanan; second place, Leilani Britton, Niles.

Pygmy Wethers, 12 months to under 24 months, first place, Abby Kuespert, Niles.

Pygmy Wethers, 2 years to 4 years, first place, Abby Kuespert, Niles.

Champion, Pygmy Wether, Abby Kuespert, Niles; Reserve Champion, Pygmy Wether, Abby Kuespert, Niles.

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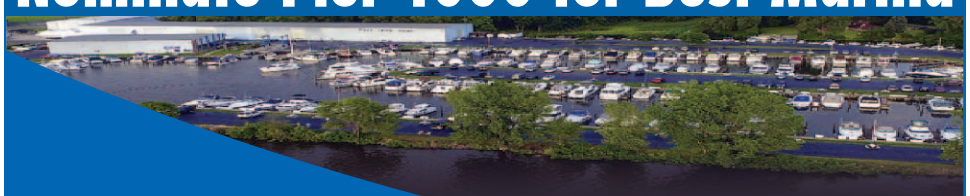

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